



RICARDO RAMIREZ—THE TECH

Bobby Child (Timothy I. Abrahamsen '06) flirts and dances with Polly Baker (Janet S. Lieberman '07) in a scene from the Musical Theatre Guild's upcoming production "Crazy for You." The play opens today in Kresge Little Theatre at 8 p.m. See <http://web.mit.edu/mtg/www> for more information.

'Camping' Banned and Gag Rule Repealed For 2006 Frat Rush

By Yi Zhou
STAFF REPORTER

"Hey, wanna play some Frisbee?" This casual invitation is posed by eager fraternity brothers to unsuspecting freshmen, has been an opportunity for upperclassmen to scope out pledge prospects before rush officially kicks off with the Greek Griller this Saturday, Sept. 2nd.

The rush process, which informally began as early as Campus Preview Weekend, is as complicated as the myriad rules that govern it, which forbid brothers from entering the dormitories or disclosing fraternity information to freshmen. Brothers have been drawing upon orientation leaders, athletes, and female friends of fraternity members to make as many contacts as possible this week, during which active recruitment is prohibited. Though many fraternities have already begun compiling a list of candidates, there have been few Interfraternity Council rule infractions, according to Isaac J. Tetzloff '07.

The rush rules are similar to last year, with the exception of the "gag rule" which has been repealed, allowing brothers to reveal their affiliation if it is a natural response to a

question.

The practice of "camping," in which a fraternity brother may visit another house and request a freshman, who must then meet him at the door, will be banned this year. "It was very invasive and comes off as creepy," said Tummel.

IFC Recruitment Chair Akil J. Middleton '08 said that the rules are "put in place out of respect for orientation and Residential Exploration. It's really about the freshmen, who must also make an intelligent decision regarding their living arrangements for the first year."

Many fraternity brothers, however, disagree. "Even though it's good that they try to make a level playing field, some things are lost in the balance. It's hard for us to make an impression," said Kurt Tummel '08, the rush chair for Phi Beta Epsilon. "It should just be a free-for-all," said Jeffrey Kirby '08, of Phi Delta Theta.

Clearinghouse to be used again

The Clearinghouse system, enforced last year for the first time since 2001, will return again with a more accessible, web-based interface. Under the system, brothers

must register freshmen that visit their house into a giant database that all fraternities may access. It is useful as a safety precaution, as GRTs will be able to locate a freshman at any time, according to Tetzloff. Many incoming freshmen are unaware of this tracking device, and Nicholas D. Pennycook '10 called it "freaky." Some brothers also object to the system, finding it not only a nuisance to enforce, but also an invasion of privacy.

A new event is the Alley Rally, a carnival event jointly hosted by the five fraternities on Amherst Alley. "Right after the Greek Griller, freshmen make a beeline for the frats across the river," and this event will hopefully draw freshmen to the on-campus fraternities, said Tummel. Since it is a joint-fraternity event, Alley Rally will be funded by the IFC, though Middleton declined to comment on its cost.

Freshmen show positive feedback

"I'm really excited for the free dinners," said Thomas W. Hay '10. The extravagance of rush, with each fraternity spending at least \$15,000

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Hockfield: Balancing Work, Life is A Challenge

MIT's Sixteenth President Speaks About Her Job, the MIT Corporation, and Her Advice to Freshmen

By Marissa Vogt
NEWS EDITOR

This is the final interview in the five-part series introducing new students to administrators and student leaders on campus. Today, The Tech interviews President Susan Hockfield, who talks about the MIT Corporation and what it is like to be the president of MIT.

The Tech: What is your role at the Institute and what does it mean to be the President of MIT?

Susan Hockfield: My role at the Institute is to oversee all of the Institute's activities. Formally, I report to the Corporation but while I have responsibility for things across the Institute, what I feel I really have responsibility for is the people in leadership, setting the tone and mission of the Institute, and that's done by a process of gathering information from the community. In many ways, I also represent the Institute to the rest of the world.

TT: You mentioned the MIT Corporation. How would you describe the role of the MIT Corporation?

SH: The MIT Corporation is the oversight body for the Institute and they have ultimately the responsibility for the Institute, how it functions—for both its fiscal and academic well-being. The corporation is a large body. There are on the order of 75 regular members. ... Members of the corporation sit on, and chair, visiting committees. ... One very important subcommittee is the executive committee. The executive committee has nine corporation members and I meet with the executive committee monthly. Through the work of the executive committee, the Corporation follows the activities of the Institute with a little bit higher resolution than is possible at quarterly meetings.

TT: Speaking of the Corporation, how can students better understand and become more involved with the

work of the MIT Corporation?

SH: It is through the activities of the visiting committee where students get most involved with the Corporation because each visiting committee to a department or unit spends time during the visit actually visiting with students and the student input to these visiting committees is very important. ... Once a student graduates, a student can become a

candidate for the young alumni positions on the Corporation.

TT: I'm guessing that there's no typical day in the life of the MIT President, but maybe in a typical week, a month, how much do you travel and —

SH: There isn't a typical day. I do quite a bit of traveling because part

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Susan Hockfield

Educational Background: B.A. in Biology from the University of Rochester (1973), PhD in Anatomy (and Neuroscience) from Georgetown University (1979)

Research Interests: Brain development
Previous Occupation: Provost, Yale University

Hometown: Born in Chicago
Family: husband Thomas N. Byrne, M.D., daughter Elizabeth Byrne, and Casey the golden retriever



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Take a Break and Explore Boston's Museums and Parks

By Marissa Vogt
NEWS EDITOR

When classes begin in a few days, you'll soon find yourself struggling to balance life, school, and sleep. My advice? Take advantage of Pass/No Record grading and go out to spend some quality time exploring the city — you won't regret it. These are a few of my favorite places to visit and things to see:

Museum of Science

1 Science Park
Boston, MA 02114
617-723-2500
<http://www.mos.org>

The museum is within walking distance of MIT — just a little bit past the CambridgeSide Galleria — or you can take the green line to the Science Park T stop.

Open daily, Saturday–Thursday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Friday 9 a.m. to 9

p.m., with extended summer hours that end Sept. 4.

Admission: Free with MIT ID; additional charge for some shows or presentations.

The MoS is a must-see during your tenure at MIT. My favorite room is the math room, but there are lots of great shows and presentations, including the Omni Theater (IMAX) and the Planetarium. Additionally, the Theater of Electricity

features daily lightning shows using the world's largest air-insulated Van de Graaff generator, which was donated to the museum by MIT.

Community Solar System

<http://www.mos.org/sln/wtu/css.html>

Visiting this scale model of the solar system is a fun and nerdy way to explore new places in the Boston

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In Short

¶ IS&T is increasing e-mail quotas from 500 megabytes to 1,000 megabytes. Quotas for most users have already been increased. IS&T plans to make an announcement on Tuesday.

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WORLD & NATION

Sudan Rejects U.N. Resolution to Send Peacekeepers to Darfur

By Daniel B. Schneider

THE NEW YORK TIMES

UNITED NATIONS

The Security Council passed a resolution Thursday authorizing the creation of a U.N. peacekeeping force for the ravaged Darfur region of Sudan, but the resolution calls for the consent of the Sudanese government before troops can be deployed.

Sudanese officials immediately rejected the resolution. A senior adviser to President Omar al-Bashir told Al-Jazeera television that the resolution was illegal and violated the peace accord signed by the government and one of the rebel factions.

But State Department officials were quick to say the resolution did not explicitly require Sudan's consent. "This resolution invites Sudanese consent," Kristen Silverberg, assistant secretary of state for international organization affairs, said at a briefing in Washington after the vote. "Nothing requires Sudanese consent."

The proposed U.N. force is to include a military force of up to 17,300 members and a civilian police force of 3,300. It would replace or absorb the 7,000-member African Union force in Darfur, which has been hamstrung by financial and logistical problems and has failed to halt the slide into violence that President Bush has called genocide.

Flight Controller Had Little Sleep Before Crash

By Matthew L. Wald

THE NEW YORK TIMES

LEXINGTON, KY.

The air traffic controller in the tower on Sunday, when a Comair jet took off from the wrong runway and crashed, had had just two hours of sleep, a member of the National Transportation Safety Board said Wednesday evening.

The controller has told investigators that he saw the jet on the taxiway and gave it clearance to take off, and then turned his back to attend to other duties, failing to see it take the wrong turn. The plane crashed about 30 seconds later, killing 49 of the 50 people on board.

The safety board member, Deborah Hersman, said Wednesday that in addition to his ground control duties, the controller had radar responsibilities, including telling the crew of an American Eagle plane that was 3 minutes and 12 seconds ahead of the Comair jet to change course to avoid weather. Hersman said the controller told investigators that after giving takeoff clearance to the Comair jet, he began to take a count of traffic during his shift.

Three Polls Find Workers Sensing Deep Pessimism

By Steven Greenhouse

THE NEW YORK TIMES

Three new opinion polls released Wednesday found deep pessimism among American workers, with most saying that wages were not keeping pace with inflation and that workers were worse off in many ways than a generation ago.

The Pew Research Center found in a survey of 2,003 adults completed last month that an overwhelming majority said workers had less job security and faced more on-the-job stress than 20 or 30 years ago.

The nonpartisan Pew center, said, "The public thinks that workers were better off a generation ago than they are now on every key dimension of worker life — be it wages, benefits, retirement plans, on-the-job stress, the loyalty they are shown by employers or the need to regularly upgrade work skills."

In a poll of 803 registered voters commissioned by the AFL-CIO, Peter D. Hart Research found that 55 percent said their incomes were not keeping up with inflation, 33 percent said their incomes were keeping even and 9 percent said their incomes were outpacing inflation.

U.N.'s Annan to Press Syria To Crackdown on Arms Line

By Warren Hoge

THE NEW YORK TIMES

DAMASCUS, SYRIA

Kofi Annan SM '72, the U.N. secretary-general, plans to confront the Syrian president, Bashar Assad, with reports that Syria is permitting arms to cross its border illegally into Lebanon and to demand an end to the traffic when the two meet here on Friday.

Officials at the United Nations said Annan would also challenge Assad to establish diplomatic relations with Lebanon and settle a long-festering dispute over the two countries' borders.

The officials, who agreed to discuss Annan's strategy only if they were not identified, noted that all the steps were obligations of Syria's in the unanimously adopted Security Council resolution that halted the fighting between the Lebanon-based Hezbollah militia and Israel on Aug. 14.

"Because of that, the secretary-general is entering with a very strong hand," one of the officials said.

Annan is in the midst of an 11-day tour of the Middle East to seek compliance with the resolution, and the officials said he was acting with unaccustomed directness in what was

likely to be the last major diplomatic journey of his 10 years in office, which end Dec. 31.

The three steps that Annan intends to press upon Assad on Friday are all aimed at shoring up Lebanon as an independent country. Syria has dominated Lebanon for most of the past three decades, and, by financing and arming the Hezbollah militia, the officials said, Damascus continues to undermine Beirut's ability to establish its own authority.

In Israel, which Annan visited on Tuesday, the officials said that Annan found a new willingness to discuss a prisoner exchange as a way of gaining the return of the two Israeli soldiers that were captured by Hezbollah on July 12. That action provoked the 34-day war.

Repatriating the two is a priority with the Israeli public, which is putting pressure on Ehud Olmert, the Israeli prime minister, for the failure to achieve the war's original goals of dismantling and disarming Hezbollah. "Getting the prisoners back has swam to the top of the agenda," one official said.

Where Israel had resisted all such talk at the outset of the war in July, the

officials said, it is now interested in finding an acceptable way to negotiate the men's freedom. One possibility being explored, they said, was naming a U.N. special envoy to conduct the transaction.

In Stockholm, where he was attending a donors' conference for Lebanon, Fouad Siniora, the country's prime minister, said a prisoner swap with Israel was being considered by his government but "nothing has materialized." He added, "I hope the Israeli government will respond to the call of reason so that we can finish with this and everybody will return to his home."

The U.N. officials asserted that Israel was more flexible on the timing of the final troop withdrawal from Lebanon than was indicated by Olmert's public rebuff on Wednesday of Annan's suggestion that the Israelis should depart once the planned 15,000-person international force reached 5,000.

In Rome on Thursday, Romano Prodi, Italy's prime minister, told reporters that Shimon Peres, the Israeli deputy prime minister, whom Annan met with on Wednesday, told him that there was support for the idea in Jerusalem.

Bush: Withdrawing From Iraq Would Leave Americans at Risk

By Anne E. Kornblut and Sheryl Gay Stolberg

THE NEW YORK TIMES

SALT LAKE CITY

President Bush said Thursday that withdrawing now from Iraq would leave Americans at risk of terrorist attacks "in the streets of our own cities," and he cast the struggle against Islamic extremists as the costly but necessary successor to the battles of the last century against Nazism and communism.

"The war we fight today is more than a military conflict," Bush said in a speech to veterans at an American Legion convention here. "It is the decisive ideological struggle of the 21st century."

The speech, the first of five addresses on national security Bush plans to deliver between now and Sept. 19, was part of a carefully orchestrated White House offensive to

buttress public support for the Iraq war and portray Democrats as less capable of protecting the country, a theme that has proved effective for Republicans in the past two elections.

Even as Bush spoke, a series of explosions ripped through Baghdad, providing more images of a sort that he acknowledged have been "sometimes unsettling" to the public.

Bush also took a hard line against Iran on a day when the International Atomic Energy Agency reported that it had found traces of highly enriched uranium, which can be used for bomb fuel, when its inspectors took samples in Iran last year. Bush said that "we must not allow Iran to develop a nuclear weapon."

The latest White House offensive — the third major public relations effort in the last year to offset declining public support for the Iraq war and

place it in the context of a broader cause — began unfolding this week, with combative speeches to veterans groups by Vice President Dick Cheney and Secretary of Defense Donald H. Rumsfeld. Both invoked variations of the word "appease" to characterize critics of the president's policies, with Rumsfeld saying they had not "learned history's lessons."

That language drew an immediate backlash from Democrats on Wednesday and Bush did not adopt it. But he did echo the allusions to the failed strategy of trying to appease Nazi Germany. He called today's terrorists "successors to Fascists, to Nazis, to Communists and other totalitarianisms of the 20th century," and cautioned Americans against concluding that five years after the Sept. 11 attacks the threat had receded.

"That feeling," Bush said, "is natural and comforting — and wrong."

WEATHER

Ernesto on the way to Cambridge?

Jon Moskaitis

STAFF METEOROLOGIST

Usually I write about tropical cyclones in this space only as an interesting diversion to a stretch of uneventful local weather. However, this is not the case today, as the remnants of Hurricane Ernesto have a very important role to play in this weekend's forecast. Ernesto crossed the Carolina coastline last night on a northeast heading, but now finds a strong high pressure system squarely in its path. The high is expected to turn Ernesto north and eventually northwest, towards the Great Lakes. East of Ernesto's track, moist southerly flow will push up and over the leading edge of the high pressure system, producing copious amounts of rainfall. The amount of rain that can make it to Cambridge and the timing of its arrival are both very uncertain, due to uncertainties in Ernesto's track. The most likely scenario is that the rain will primarily stay to our southwest, with some showers making it here on Saturday night and Sunday. It is also possible, but less likely, that there will be no rain at all. Finally, there is a slight chance of a total deluge. This is a forecast where the uncertainty is much greater than usual, so keep up to date with the latest predictions online.

Extended Forecast

Today: Mostly sunny. High 67°F (19°C)

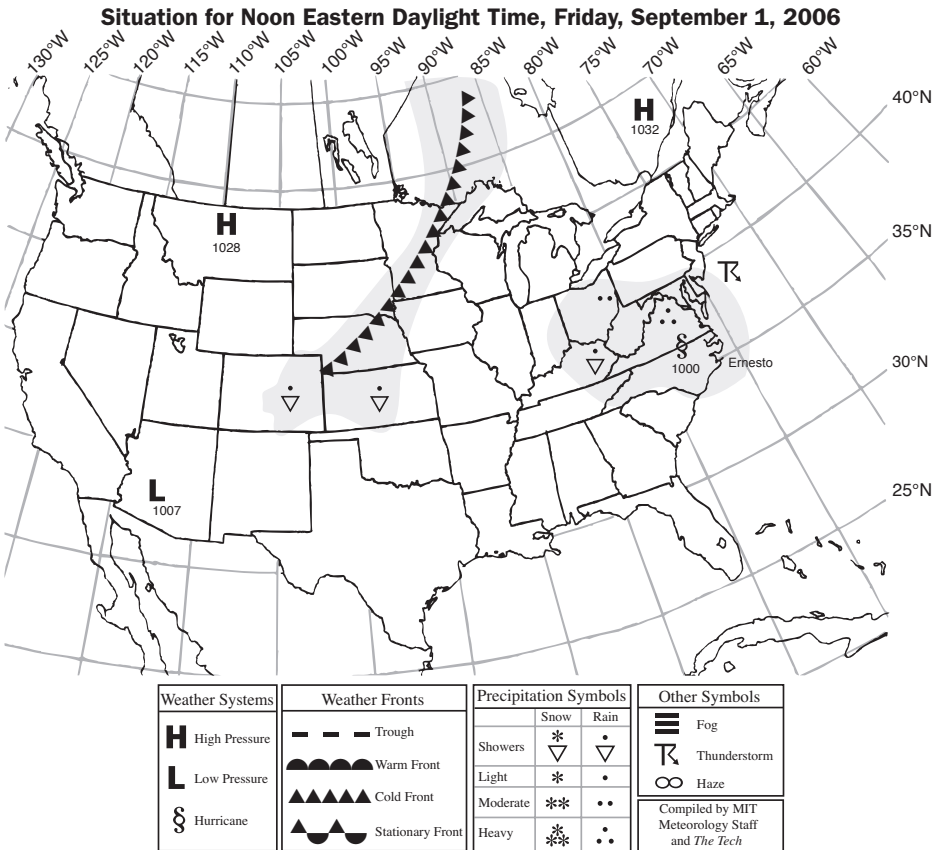
Tonight: Clear and cool. Low 57°F (14°C)

Saturday: Windy and cool. High 60°F (21°C)

Saturday night: Showers likely, windy. Low 57°F (14°C)

Sunday: Mostly cloudy and windy, with showers likely. High 68°F (20°C)

Monday: Partial clearing, some showers still possible. High 76°F (24°C)



Consumer Spending, Personal Income Both Increased in July

By **Jeremy W. Peters**
THE NEW YORK TIMES

Spending by U.S. consumers grew in July at twice the rate it did in June, suggesting that the economy may not be slowing as suddenly as some economists had thought.

Personal income also rose in July, although not as much as spending did. And a widely watched measure of consumer inflation indicated that the pace of price increases may be easing somewhat.

All together, the data provided some encouraging evidence that economic expansion may be slowing, not stalling, on its way to the soft landing that policy makers like Ben S. Bernanke PhD '79, chairman of the Federal Reserve, are hoping for.

The Commerce Department re-

ported Thursday that total personal spending rose 0.8 percent in July, adjusted for seasonal factors — the sharpest increase since January. By contrast, personal income rose 0.5 percent in July, largely in line with the pace of the last several months.

Along with gauges of inflation like the Consumer Price Index, the Federal Reserve pays attention to one derived from the monthly consumer spending figures known as the core personal consumption expenditure index.

The index, which excludes volatile food and energy prices, registered an increase of just 0.1 percent in July, the smallest this year.

Still, the core index was 2.4 percent higher in July than a year earlier; the Fed considers 2 percent an-

nual inflation to be at the high end of what the economy can comfortably tolerate.

Wall Street seemed to take the July statistics in stride, as investors left stock prices virtually unchanged from Wednesday's close.

The data in the report showing low inflation was seen as particularly positive because the Fed has said it may be forced to quickly resume interest rate increases if any sign appears that prices are shooting up.

At the Aug. 8 meeting of the Fed's policy-setting committee, members voted to leave interest rates unchanged at 5.25 percent. But, according to minutes of the meeting released this week, some members expressed concern that inflation was still running high.

Clorox Names Coke Official as Chairman

By **Alex Berenson**
THE NEW YORK TIMES

In another sign of the difficulties facing Coca-Cola Co. as it tries to revive its core franchise, the president of Coke's North American unit, Donald R. Knauss, resigned Wednesday to become chairman and chief executive of Clorox.

Knauss, 55, had been president of Coca-Cola North America for two years. He will begin at Clorox in early October, the company said.

He succeeds Robert W. Matschullat, a former Seagram executive who has served as Clorox's interim chairman since March, when Gerald E. Johnston, 58, stepped down after suffering a heart attack. Matschullat will remain on Clorox's board.

To succeed Knauss, Coke promoted J. Alexander M. Douglas Jr., its senior vice president and chief customer officer.

The appointment of Douglas is a "management upgrade for the North American business," said John Sicher, publisher of Beverage Digest, an industry newsletter. "There's probably no executive at Coke who understands the business and the bottlers better than Sandy."

In a statement released by Coke, Knauss called the Clorox job "the opportunity of a lifetime."

His departure comes as Coke continues to struggle in its carbonated beverage business, analysts said. U.S. consumers increasingly prefer energy drinks and bottled water to soda. Last year, the U.S. market for soft drinks contracted slightly, and the volume of Coca-Cola Classic, the company's flagship beverage, fell 2 percent, according to Beverage Digest. Diet Coke, which had been one of the company's bright spots, also lost appeal in 2005, posting essentially no growth for the year.

City Officials in New Jersey Plead Guilty to Corruption

By **Ronald Smothers**
THE NEW YORK TIMES

CAMDEN, N.J.

The powerful president of Atlantic City's City Council and a former Camden council member pleaded guilty on Wednesday to federal corruption and bribery charges.

The charges grew out of a sting operation in which the two men took thousands of dollars from a local contractor and an FBI agent posing as an investor in his company. In return, the two officials agreed to get them public contracts.

Craig Callaway, 47, the president of Atlantic City's City Council since 2003 and part of a family that has long been involved in politics in the city, pleaded guilty to a single bribery count.

In a hearing before Judge Joseph H. Rodriguez of U.S. District Court, he said that he had taken about \$36,000 from the contractor over a two-year period. As part of his plea agreement, he said he had accepted the money with the understanding that he would help get the contractor work on one of the city's development projects in the northeast section of Atlantic City.

China Adds Culture and Subtracts History in New High School Books

By **Joseph Kahn**
THE NEW YORK TIMES

BEIJING

When high school students in Shanghai crack their history textbooks this fall they may be in for a surprise. The new standard world history text drops wars, dynasties and communist revolutions in favor of colorful tutorials on economics, technology, social customs and globalization.

Socialism has been reduced to a single, short chapter in the senior high school history course. Chinese communism before the economic reform that began in 1979 is covered in a sentence. The text mentions Mao only once — in a chapter on etiquette.

Nearly overnight the country's

most prosperous schools have shelved the Marxist template that had dominated standard history texts since the 1950s. The changes passed high-level scrutiny, the authors say, and are part of a broader effort to promote a more stable, less violent view of Chinese history that serves today's economic and political goals.

Supporters say the overhaul enlivens mandatory history courses for junior and senior high school students and better prepares them for life in the real world. The old textbooks, not unlike the ruling Communist Party, changed relatively little in the last quarter-century of market-oriented economic reforms. They were glaringly out of sync with realities stu-

dents face outside the classroom.

But critics say the textbooks trade one political agenda for another. They do not so much rewrite history as diminish it. The one-party state, having largely abandoned its official ideology, prefers people to think more about the future than the past.

The new text focuses on ideas and buzz words that dominate the state-run media and official discourse: economic growth, innovation, foreign trade, political stability, respect for diverse cultures and social harmony.

J.P. Morgan, Bill Gates, the New York Stock Exchange, the Space Shuttle and Japan's bullet train are all highlighted. There is a lesson on how neckties became fashionable.



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OPINION

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Starting today, *The Tech* will list the membership of its editorial board by name in the “Opinion Policy” box below. In addition, the listing has been corrected. A senior editor and opinion staffer had been mistakenly included.

Corrections

The articles entitled “Where to Buy Food: Grocery Store Guide” and “Need Shirts? Try Out These Stores in the Boston Area” should have included Kathy Lin, a former staff writer, as a co-author.



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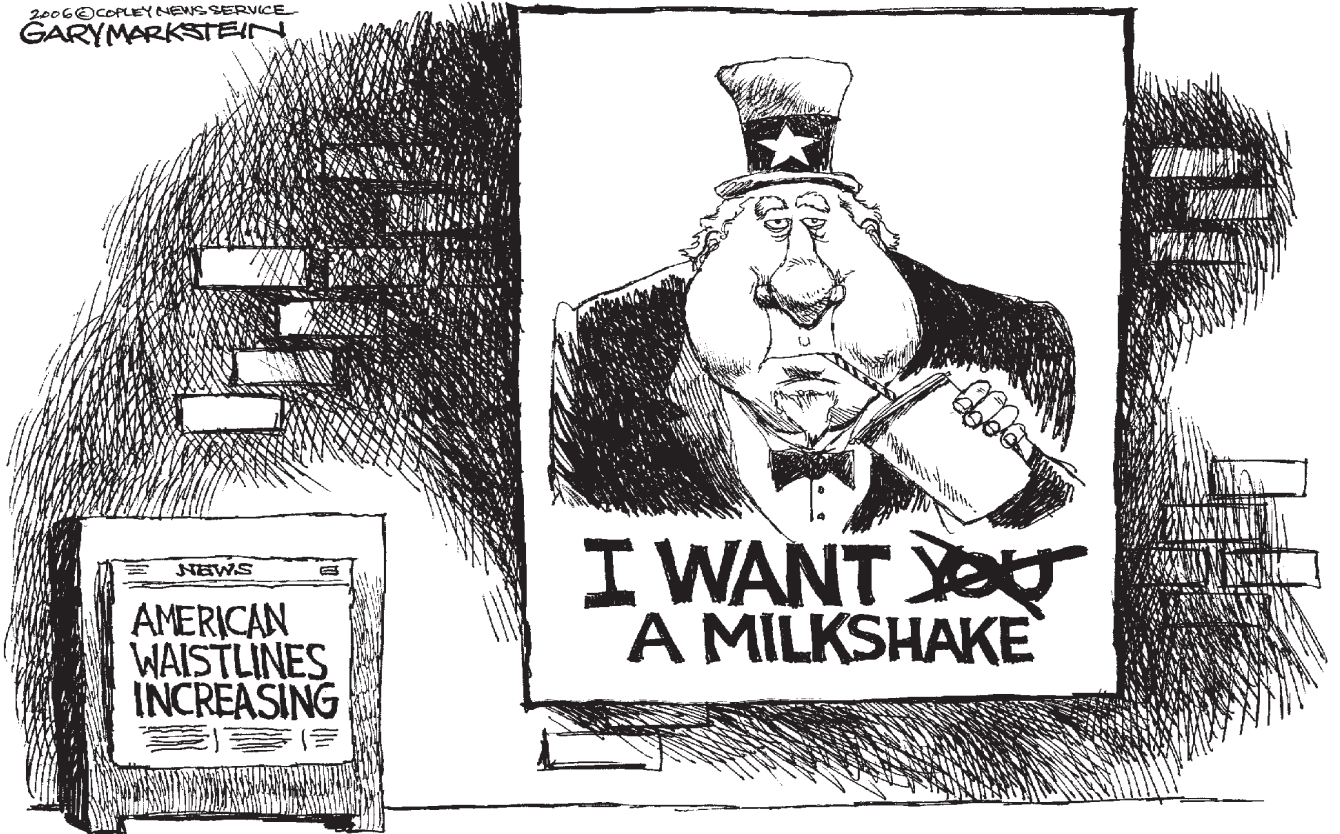
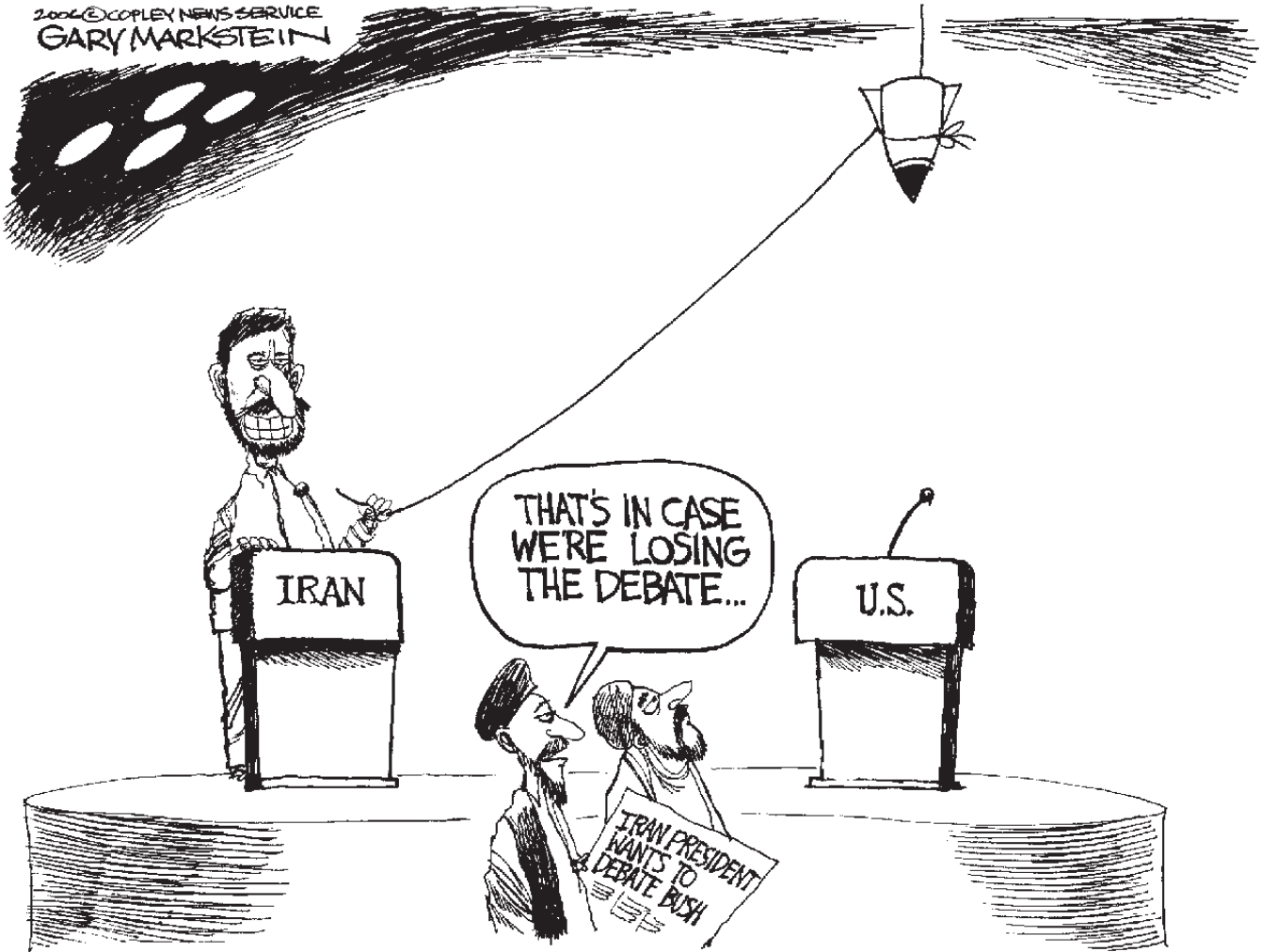
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MOVIE REVIEW ★★★★★

Snakes on a Review

‘Snakes on a Plane’ Delivers Precisely What the Title Promises

By Michael McGraw-Herdeg
MANAGING EDITOR

Snakes on a Plane
Directed by David R. Ellis
Starring: Samuel L. Jackson
Julianna Margulies
Kenan Thompson
Rated R
Now Playing 105 minutes

Okay, so ‘Snakes on a Plane’ is not exactly the defining film of our generation. But if you haven’t already seen it, and you don’t think you want to, you’re probably mistaken; this adorable little gem of a movie is just what the summer of 2006 needed.

If you were reading *The Tech* during Orientation 1997, you would’ve seen a Washington Post story with the headline “Unwanted Serpents Enter Hawaii, Snakeless Island Fights Onslaught”. In August of that year, a vicious, venomous invasive species of snake was spotted slithering off a cargo plane onto the Hawaiian mainland. ‘Snakes on a Plane’ is like the Hollywood film of this experience: it gets most of the details wrong, but it’s really exciting, and there’s at least one important celebrity.

The plot is flimsy: FBI agent escorts a witness to a mob killing from Hawaii to Los Angeles, and snakes ensue. But within the narrow creative confines the story offers, director David R. Ellis admirably controls the action such that we’re never bored and we’re usually rooting for the passengers more than the snakes. Sure, the movie suffers from occasional twisted logic — if the FBI claimed the first-class cabin all to themselves, then why are its overhead compartments full of luggage? — but on the whole, it wasn’t a big deal. After all, we were expecting camp.

A tremendous ensemble cast delivers excellent but forgettable performances, with two key exceptions: Agent Neville Flynn (Samuel L. Jackson) and the Snakes (themselves). The Internet hype behind this film had suggested that Jackson and the Snakes were the only key characters; this is more or less the case. Jackson’s lines drew raucuous applause on opening night (the best, but by no means the only time to see ‘Snakes on a Plane’), and his evenhanded performance is marked by his ability to remain calm in the face of a preposterous situation. Jackson effortlessly steals every single scene he’s in; his acting turns a relatively silly set of one-liners into a witty performance.

Meanwhile, the unrealistic Snakes From Hell dominate the film. Largely computer-generated and out to kill, the snakes present no particular identifiable motivation or character development -- they are, after all snakes -- but nevertheless won cheers from the audience. The snakes are so well-caricatured that we applaud both as they devastate the largely defenseless passengers and when those on board begin to fight back. On the whole, the reptilian violence is funny rather than shocking or distasteful; the sole exception is a scene where a snake emerges from an airplane toilet and bites a man somewhere very sensitive. (Ow.)

The vast difference in tone between ‘Snakes on a Plane’ and ‘Air Force One’ has much to do with the fact that the enemies aren’t human; somehow the extreme violence of the film (targeted at both hapless humans and snakes) is easy to stomach. Because the crisis on the plane is that it’s filled with hundreds of deadly snakes and not, say, hijackers, a bomb, or infectious



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Top: FBI Agent Neville Flynn (Samuel L. Jackson) clutches a dead snake.
Bottom: Taser in hand, Flynn navigates the snake-infested aisles of South Pacific Air 121.

microbes, there’s no real suspense; instead, ‘Snakes on a Plane’ cuts right to the action. The action is excellent and well-paced, and what more could you ask for from a summer flick?

The bad news is that ‘Snakes on a Plane’ is not a bad enough film to become a cult classic; the worse news is that it’s not a good enough film to merit seeing over and over again. Happily, it doesn’t take itself too seriously, and with a

light, fluffy, soundtrack, it’s a perfect feel-good movie. There’s also the matter of timing: released a week after the Transportation Security Administration announced a ban on most liquids on airplanes (to protect us from terrorists), Snakes on a Plane gleefully explores the reptilian threat to national security that we’ve all been ignoring. By injecting much-needed levity into America’s national discussion on security,

convenience, and liberty, ‘Snakes on a Plane’ offers its lighthearted perspective: hey, at least there aren’t snakes on most planes.

Moreover, in a movie where dozens of snakes are variously shot, stabbed, speared, torched, microwaved, karate chopped, and otherwise mutilated, it is reassuring to read at the very end of the credits that no animals were harmed in the making of the film.

ALBUM REVIEW

Snakes on a Soundtrack

Music Not as Good as the Film

By Marissa Vogt
NEWS EDITOR
‘Snakes on a Plane: The Album’
Various Artists
Released: Aug. 15, 2006
Label: New Line Records

This is one of those CDs that you play in the background and don’t really give much attention because there’s nothing really worth listening to. Too late you realize that even though most of the songs have no merit whatsoever, they’re damn catchy and now you’ve got them stuck in your head. And then you start to like it.

The main problem with the soundtrack to ‘Snakes on a Plane’ is that it, like the film, is targeted at millennials, who are all too

content to listen to mediocre songs that are some bastardized combination of techno, rap, and pop. If the songs weren’t so incredibly addictive, especially the first track, Cobra Starship’s “Snakes on a Plane (Bring It),” I wouldn’t have even given the album a second chance. But I’m glad I did, because a lot of the songs actually have quite a bit of energy in them, even if it’s not great music.

Unfortunately, the humor and sheer awesomeness of putting snakes on a plane fail to translate well across media, and the soundtrack, unlike the film, fails to live up to the hype surrounding the

movie’s theatrical release. A surprising number of tracks on “Snakes on a Plane: The Album” are about snakes on a plane — bands will record songs about anything, it seems — but those lack the humor and spirit that made the film enjoyable. The film’s now-famous catchphrase, “That’s it! I have had it with these motherfucking snakes on this motherfucking plane,” is even incorporated into two of the tracks.

The album’s highlights include the track by Cobra Starship, “Ophidiophobia” by Cee-Lo, and the extremely chill closing tracks “Lovely Day” by Donovan Frankenreiter and

... the soundtrack, unlike the film, fails to live up to the hype surrounding the movie’s theatrical release.

“Hey Now Now” by Michael Franti & Spearhead. Trevor Rabin’s score, the final track on the CD, does a great job of setting the mood for the film, but there’s something missing without the snake’s-eye-view special effects. Still, the score is the best musical interpretation of snakes slithering through the cargo bay of an airplane that I’ve ever heard. And it’s definitely not the worst track on the CD — that honor clearly belongs to “New Friend Request” by Gym Class Heroes, a song about MySpace. WTF.

While it certainly won’t win any Grammy awards, “Snakes on a Plane: The Album” is, in the end, an excellent CD to play on a road trip or while hanging out with friends. Like the film, even if you’re just laughing at it, at least you’ll be entertained.

CAMPUS LIFE

Imminent Collapse

De-Froshing in 7 Quick Steps

By Bill Andrews
CAMPUS LIFE EDITOR

I realize you're getting sick of all the advice you must be getting, freshmen. You're probably getting sick of being referred to that way, too, but don't worry: from now on, you'll be thought of strictly as '10s, or in my mind, '010s ("oh-tens", snappier pronunciation thanks to my fiancée). But, before it's all over, indulge an old undergrad who's been around the Infinite once or twice, and try to heed some last suggestions.

I have compiled a list of Don'ts you can follow to de-frosh quickly. Please, take no umbrage at the implication that I want you to change; I know you can't help it and, believe me, I was once just as froshy as you are now. Perhaps you might even enjoy your froshness, revel in it, and that's fine, don't let me take away your fun. Just know that the upperclassmen (and properly de-froshed '010s) will be

annoyed, and might think less of you for your condition. It's unfair, I know, but that's just how things are; so, if you want more quickly to earn the respect and admiration of my peers, you could try not doing the following:

Don't brag

This's the easiest way to spot a recent addition to the MIT frosh community. We're all smart here, we trust each other to be smart, and we don't need you to point out the 98% you might have gotten on your 18.02 exam or the multiple academic awards you won in high school. It's not that we don't care, but bringing such things up out of the blue or on the flimsiest pretenses ("hi, nice to meet you; say, what'd you get on your SATs?") makes you look arrogant and froshy, a dangerous mix. Non-academic bragging rights, of course, can be exercised with slightly less caution; I'd like to know if I'm talking to the world champion

Tetris player, or something.

Don't be excited about everything.

Here we have the number two way to recognize a member of the freshman class. Actually, I like this trait in you guys, you're always eager and excited about practically anything. Too many upperclassmen associate de-froshing with becoming jaded (don't worry, you will be), and while that's a big part of it, it's still important to be interested in stuff. But, if you're really anxious to blend in, be apathetic and cynical (for example, "I would never join the UA because they suck").

Don't Dawdle

As any upperclassman can tell you, few things are more annoying than rushing down the Infinite, late for a class, trying to eat breakfast/lunch, and having to maneuver around clumps of people casually chatting in the mid-

dle of the halls. First of all, we get jealous that you get to talk to friends while we're starving and late, but also there's only so much space, and if you're not moving you're wasting precious real estate. Prepare to be jostled rudely if you insist on doing this.

Don't mess up the line in LaVerde's

Look, it's hard enough having to work an extra job just to shop in LaVerde's market, without six different lines forming at the cash registers because of uninformed frosh. There's one line per register, and it runs parallel to and alongside the counter; yes it's still crowded and cramped, but it's been scientifically proven (I'd bet) that it's the most efficient way of waiting in line there. And for the love of physics, don't socialize in LaVerde's! There are couches and chairs not twenty yards away. If you are dis-

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"Gateway Arch and St. Louis"



RAY C. HE—THE TECH



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Road Trip 2006: Day 5

The Tech's next issue comes out in a week, and by then Waseem and Ray will have made it all the way back to MIT. Their path from St. Louis into Illinois takes them right by the Gateway Arch, built on the Mississippi River from 1963–65 to celebrate America's westward expansion. Eero Saarinen, the architect, went on to design MIT's Chapel and the Kresge Auditorium.

The Tech: What's on tap for the next few days?
Ray: We're going to leave St. Louis tomorrow morning and head to the U.S. Air Force National Museum in Dayton, Ohio. They have hundreds of airplanes, plus a garden of missiles.
After that, we're going to split up for a few days. Waseem's going to a family funeral and a wedding in Cleveland, and I'm headed to Pittsburgh to pick up Nivair H. Gabriel '08, The Tech's arts editor.
Then in one crazy Labor Day push, we're going back from Pittsburgh to pick up Waseem in Cleveland, stopping for lunch at Niagara Falls in Canada, and then arriving in Boston late Monday night.
The Tech: What's that noise in the background?
Ray: Oh, it's a big Washington University party! We're living it up before we get back on the road tomorrow. Waseem's wearing his emo glasses and everything.

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Wishing MIT provided more software and services for your personal computer? Need to use software on Athena at home? Today, we introduce some lesser known computing services supported by MIT.

Does MIT provide Windows XP Professional?

Yes, MIT provides it for undergraduates, staff, and faculty (but not graduate students) through the Microsoft Campus Agreement at MIT. You can download an ISO or ZIP of the installer from <http://msca.mit.edu> (make sure you have MIT certificates first); if you are an undergraduate, you must install it within 5 days. If that deadline passes, you can download it once more; however, you still can only install it on one machine. You will also receive an email containing license information after downloading. IS&T maintains a web page with more information at <http://web.mit.edu/ist/services/software/msca.html>.

If you are a graduate student, Windows is provided on a department-by-department basis. In particular, courses 6 and 15 are known to provide Windows for their graduate students. You should contact your departmental liaison, listed at <http://web.mit.edu/ist/services/software/msca-osliaisons.html>.

What happens when I graduate?

If you graduate, your license will be converted to a perpetual use license. You'll receive an advisory email in your last semester if you are a graduating senior. If you stop being a student for some other reason, your license expires and you can no longer use the software.

I want to be able to use software provided on Athena on my home computer. Must I install Athena?

You can, but you don't have to, since MIT provides support for other Linux systems. In particular, there is full support for Red Hat Enterprise Linux (RHEL) 4, the Linux distribution upon which Athena Linux is based. <http://web.mit.edu/ist/topics/linux/> contains more information about RHEL and Linux in general. It is also possible to install Kerberos, OpenAFS, Zephyr, and other Athena services on other Linux distribu-

tions; a SIPB tutorial for doing so on Debian and Ubuntu is at <http://www.mit.edu/afs/sipb/project/debian-athena/www/>. We'll be writing more about various Linux distributions in our next Ask SIPB column.

Why should I keep my computer up-to-date?

Security vulnerabilities in software are discovered on a daily basis. Any computer connected to the Internet is subjected to random attacks that attempt to exploit these vulnerabilities. Security patches become available when software vendors fix the vulnerabilities, so updating is necessary to stay secure against known attacks.

How can I keep my Windows system up-to-date?

Microsoft provides automatic updates for Windows XP. MIT has a Windows Automatic Update Service which focuses on critical security patches and patches which have been tested and shown to be particularly stable. It uses Windows XP's built-in Automatic Update service, and you can select from two options: download and install updates automatically, or download automatically and notify the user to install. Visit <http://web.mit.edu/ist/topics/windows/updates/> for more information.

How can I keep my Linux system up-to-date?

Red Hat provides a Red Hat Network service that provides updates for Red Hat Enterprise Linux systems. MIT IS&T offers this service for free. See <http://web.mit.edu/ist/topics/linux/rhn.html> to register for it and for more information. We'll be writing more about other Linux distributions next month; most provide their own security updates.

What is Student Matlab?

If you are a student, you can obtain Matlab for your Macintosh, Windows, or Linux computer from <http://matlab.mit.edu>.

The license agreement MIT has with MathWorks requires that your computer be connected to the Internet whenever you

are using Matlab, so that your copy remains in contact with the MIT license server. If you lose your connection, you have about 15 minutes to reconnect before Matlab terminates. Because there are a finite number of licenses, it is courteous to quit Matlab when you are not using it.

If you are connecting from off-campus (not including FSILGs), you'll need to use MIT's Virtual Private Network (VPN) service for Matlab to work (see last question).

If you are running Linux, you can also access the Athena installation if you have OpenAFS. Since there are some subtle but important differences between this and using Matlab on an Athena workstation, we recommend you consult IS&T's advice at <http://web.mit.edu/acs/www/tips.html#Running>.

What is a VPN and why would I use it?

ISPs will often set up port filtering and other things for network security purposes. (Incidentally, MIT does not.) Unfortunately, this can lead to problems running some applications that use the network, such as Student Matlab. A Virtual Private Network (VPN) helps you use MIT computing services, effectively putting your computer on MITnet even when your connectivity is provided by some other ISP, and thus bypassing the blocks that interfere with applications. You can enable the VPN when you need it and disable it when you don't.

You only need the VPN if you are connecting from off-campus; dorm and FSILG residents are already on MITnet. The MIT VPN Client is available for Linux, Macintosh, and Windows. You can download the VPN software from <http://web.mit.edu/ist/services/network/vpn.html>. Be sure to read the "Known Issues at MIT" page for your platform.

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Lose Pride to De-Frosh

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rupting and crowding the lines just because the conversation is too good to walk away from, people will want to kill you.

Don't be a jerk

I've found, in my long tenure @mit.edu, that there are two basic types of nerds here: the generally friendly kind who won't talk to you because they're too shy, and the jerks who won't talk to you because they think they're better than you. (There are also some non-nerds here, but I'm focusing on generalities today). Don't be in the latter category. If you're so devoted to yourself and your ego that you scoff at others, pretty soon you'll find yourself with no friends, however great you might be; and friends, you'll find, are worth their weight in gold up here. Most jerks mellow out by junior year due to loneliness, so save yourself some time and start now.

Don't spread yourself too thin

Yes, MIT's got millions of extracurriculars for you to try, but you have eight semesters to

do so. If you find yourself in fifteen groups by Thanksgiving, odds are it'll take you more than eight. Plus, the groupmates who are counting on you will get increasingly pissed when you overbook your days, and you'll look unreliable. Pace yourself, relax, and remember that your primary reason for being here is to pass classes. It's surprisingly easy to forget.

Don't be too proud to ask for help

Not just with big things, like depression and failing classes, but little things too. If you don't know how to do something on Athena, asksipb(@mit.edu). If you don't know how to walk to the North End, call Nightline; in fact, if there's anything you don't know, ever, call Nightline. They're awesome and friendly and can

probably help you out no matter what. Incompetence is not the MIT way; getting stuff done is. Be comforted in the fact that there are many people here whose sole job is to help students

out. Take advantage of such things, you're paying for them (or anyway, someone is). I tend to stop myself when I get preachy, and anyway seven's a good number for advice.

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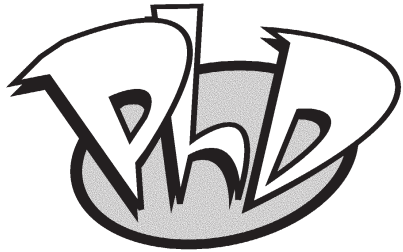
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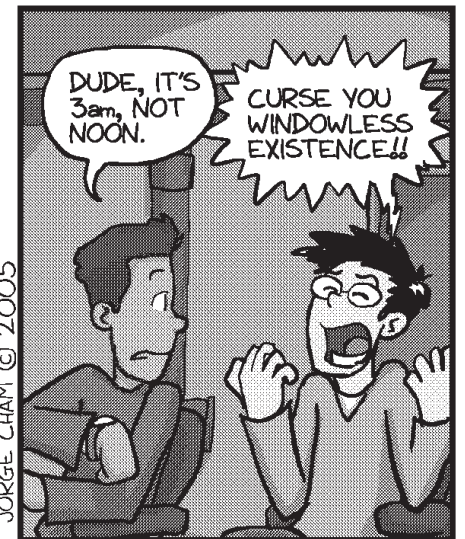
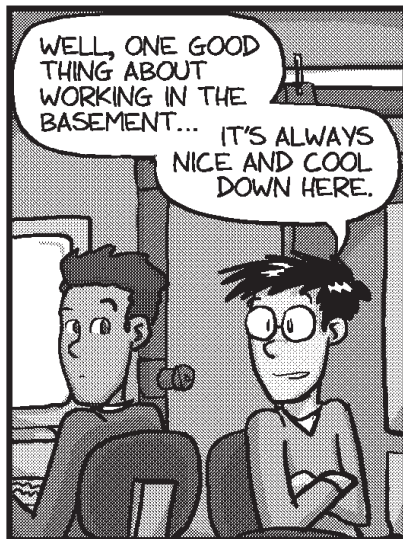
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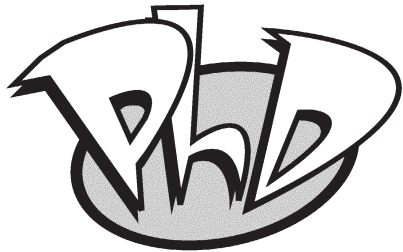


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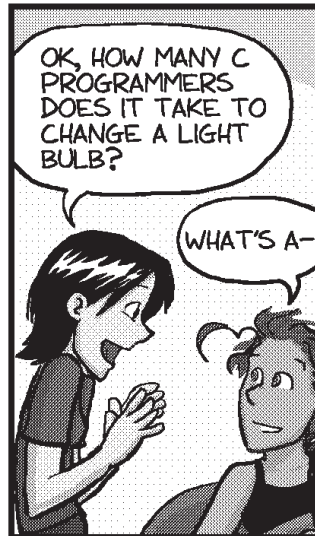
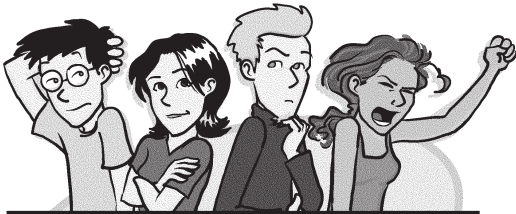


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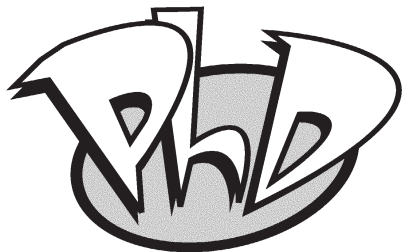


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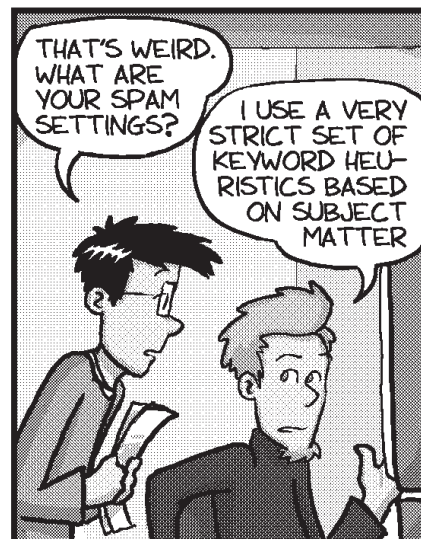
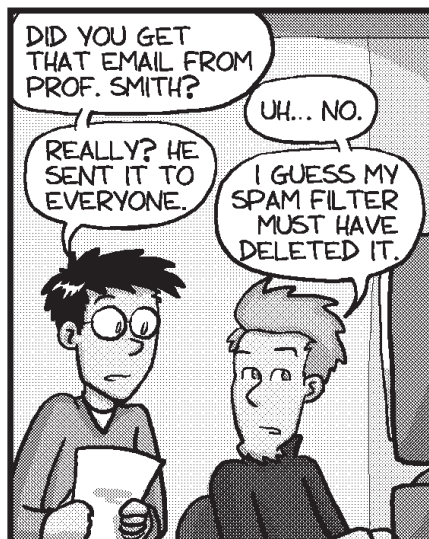


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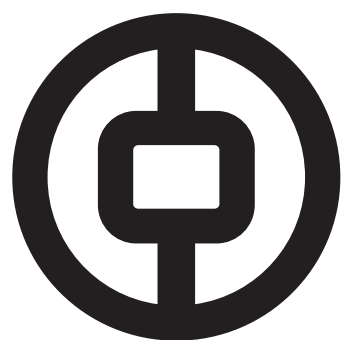
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Freshmen Request Moves Across Campus in Lottery

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based on the number of first-choice requests in the adjustment lottery, were Baker House with 34 requests, Burton-Conner with 24, and Random Hall and MacGregor House with 22 each.

East Campus had the highest number of freshmen, 32, request to move out, with Burton-Conner following with 30 requests, and New House with 25.

Last year, East Campus was the most popular dorm during the adjustment lottery, followed by Baker House and Burton-Conner. Senior House had the highest percentage of freshmen requesting a move, followed by New House and Bexley Hall.

During the summer housing lottery, Baker was the most popular dormitory with the most first choice requests, followed by MacGregor House, Burton-Conner, and Simmons Hall.

While there are currently 1,004 students that need dormitory housing in the Class of 2010, only 791 were eligible to move, according to Robin Smedick, assistant director of undergraduate housing. The remaining students were assigned to Next House and McCormick Hall, which offer Residence-Based Advising. Of the students who were eligible to move, 19.2 percent entered the adjustment lottery and 15.7 percent actually moved.

Administrators and students, including officers for the Dormitory Council, have said that the percentage of freshmen who enter the adjustment lottery each year can be used to measure the effectiveness of Campus Preview Weekend, housing materials sent to freshmen during the

Next House and McCormick Hall residents were not eligible to move in the adjustment lottery because of Residence-Based Advising and thus are not included in this table.

		Final Housing Assignment													
		BAK	BEX	BUR	CCITY	EC	FRE	GER	MACG	NEW	RAN	SEN	SIM	SPA	Grand Total
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	Bexley	1	31	1	0	2	0	0	2	0	1	0	1	0	39
	Burton	4	1	115	0	5	0	0	2	4	1	1	7	0	140
	Chocolate City	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7
	East Campus	0	2	5	0	81	0	0	5	5	1	1	1	0	101
	French	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	6
	German	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	7
	MacGregor	3	1	6	0	1	0	0	97	0	0	0	1	0	108
	New House	1	3	6	0	1	2	0	1	57	0	1	2	0	74
	Random	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	18	0	2	0	22
	Senior	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	2	0	32	1	0	42
	Simmons	3	0	4	0	2	0	0	1	1	2	0	99	0	112
	Spanish	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	5
Grand Total		129	40	140	7	101	5	7	109	72	23	40	115	5	1004

SOURCE: ROBIN SMEDICK, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF UNDERGRADUATE HOUSING

summer, and Residence Exploration, held during orientation.

Crowding continues

The crowding situation is “a little bit lower than last year,” according to Smedick, who predicted that there are approximately 65–70 “crowds,” or crowded rooms or spaces. But she said that she would not know the exact number of crowds until room assignment chairs from the dormitories report back to her about reassignments that were made after Wednesday night’s in-house rushes. She said that the number should decrease as reports come in. There were 71 crowds at this time last year.

At this point in the academic year, “anything under 100 is reasonable,” Smedick said, and “anything under 80 is good.” The number of crowds should decrease over time, because dormitories are still receiving cancellations. “It’s a constant process,” she said.

Each building that can accommodate crowds has fewer than 20. East Campus currently has the most crowds.

Crowding has been a long-term problem in MIT undergraduate dorms. In early 2002, Chancellor Phillip L. Clay PhD ’75 pledged to eliminate crowding and was successful in achieving his goal the following academic year, when Simmons Hall opened. Crowding returned in the fall of 2003, however. Larry G. Benedict, dean for student life, also said in 2002 that crowding was not an

option for the MIT housing system and has said that MIT would admit a smaller freshman class. This year, however, MIT admitted students off the waitlist, increasing the class size, for the first time since 2002. Benedict has also said that MIT would encourage more undergraduates to live in fraternities, sororities, and independent living groups, as well as look into building a new dormitory to help alleviate crowding.

Currently, plans to convert Ash-down House to an undergraduate dormitory are underway, Benedict said in an interview last week. A new graduate dorm, NW35, will be built near Sidney-Pacific.

Results influenced by gender

The housing adjustment lottery allowed students to either choose to stay in the building they had been as-

signed to during the summer lottery or rank up to four other dorms. The Housing Office begins with a “blind run of the algorithm,” which does not take into account the gender requirements of each dorm, Smedick said. “We see where that takes us, but it normally doesn’t completely satisfy gender breakdowns. Usually it involves a little bit of tweaking.”

For dormitories that require adjustments, the algorithm will be run again with gender requirements included.

According to Smedick, a few extra spaces are held during the summer housing lottery for upperclass students who may be returning to MIT after a leave of absence. These vacancies are used in the adjustment lottery, allowing some dorms to accept more students than the number that move out.

Adjustment Lottery Results

	Number of Requests to Move Out	First Choice Requests to Move In	Moved Out After Lottery	Moved In After Lottery
Baker	12	34	12	12
Bexley	8	6	8	9
Burton	30	24	25	25
Chocolate City	0	0	0	0
East Campus	32	18	20	20
French	3	2	3	2
German	0	0	0	0
MacGregor	12	22	12	12
New House	25	4	17	15
Random	4	22	4	5
Senior	13	4	10	8
Simmons	13	14	13	16
Spanish	0	2	0	0
TOTAL	152	152	124	124

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Fraternity Expenses Uncurbed; Rush Budgets Woo Freshmen

Rush, from Page 1

every year, has continued out of both pride and necessity. With 26 houses and only one week to impress, fraternities must spend in order to be competitive, even if some house budgets are tighter than others. "Rush spending is outrageous," said Tetzloff, but opposes instituting a cap, acknowledging that "it's a frat's choice to spend that much. We want to give a house as much freedom as possible."

The IFC does not currently monitor fraternities' budgets, though PBE Treasurer Kevin S. Cho '08 is conducting an independent study on rush spending. Recognizing that "many fraternities are struggling," he is in favor of "changing the rush culture"

and of "smaller frats closing down." Tetzloff is also trying to encourage freshmen to look past the ostentation to get to know a fraternity's culture and noted that a lot of frats are shying away from lavish events.

Furthermore, many freshmen already have a sense of which fraternities they want to pledge as a result of their experiences from CPW or being on sports teams.

Freshman awareness of rush has also been piqued by the advertising efforts of the IFC, who launched a poster campaign showing off famous Greeks this year. Middleton hopes the advertising will "help dispel negative stereotypes about fraternities and show that they offer not only a social network but also

academic support and guidance." The message has gotten across to at least one freshman. Zachary W. Rose '10, who is drawn to the connections and future job internships. While the number of pledges has remained relatively steady at 250–275 in the past several years, fraternities are also hoping to recruit more members since their houses have many vacancies that were never filled after freshmen were first required to live on campus in the fall of 2002.

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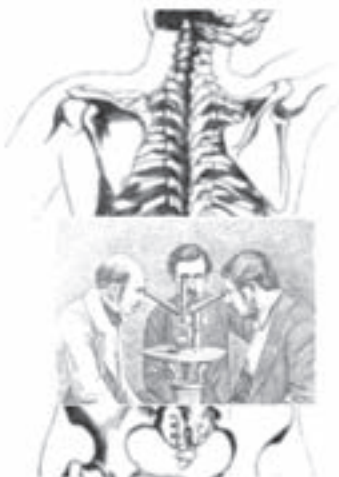
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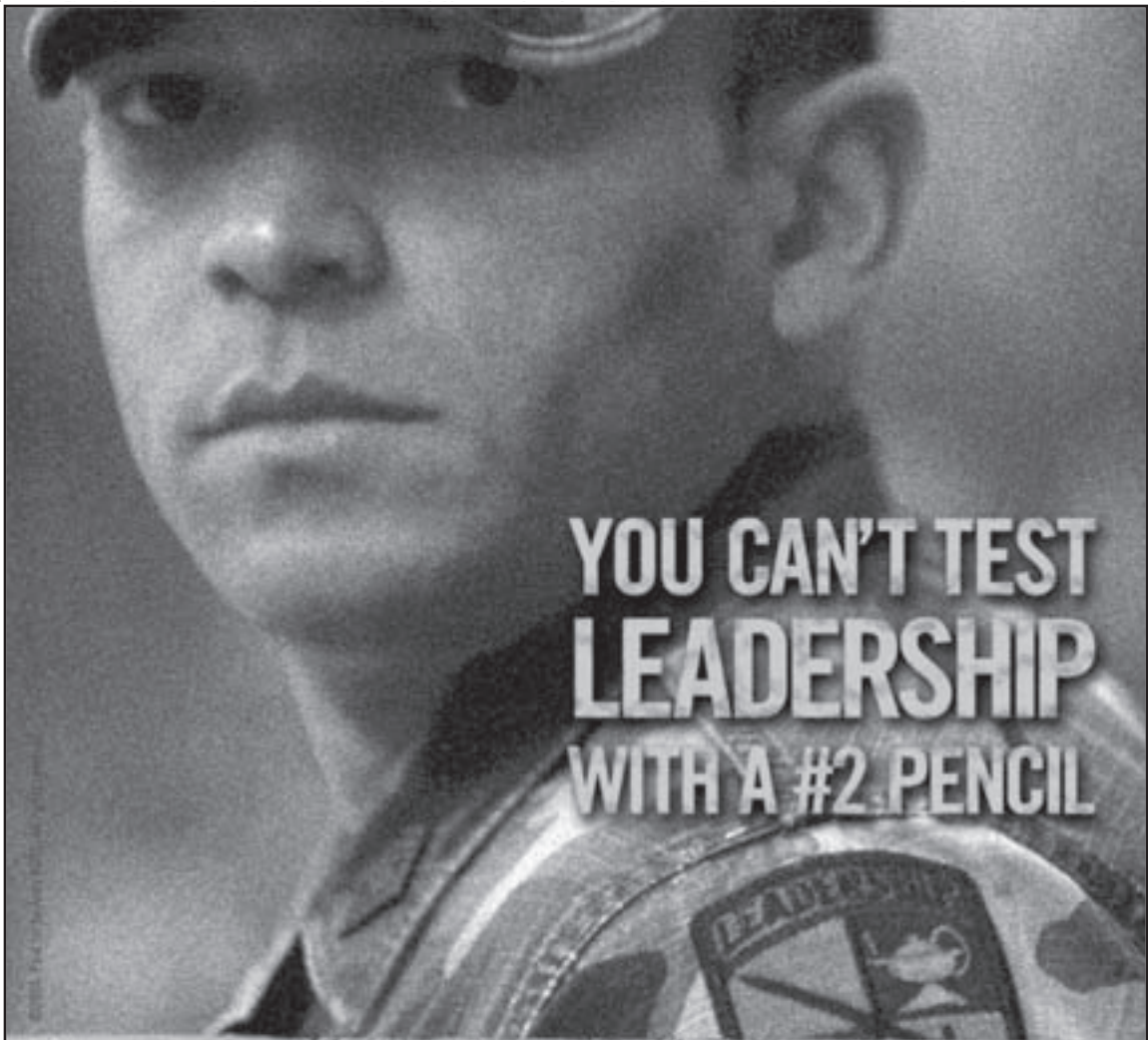
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Hockfield Praises Institute Role in Washington, World

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of my job is reaching out to various parts of our community. I visited 20 alumni clubs in the last year and a half and any number of additional alumni and friends of MIT all around the world. I spend a day every four to six weeks in Washington because MIT’s role in Washington has been extremely important in helping the nation to formulate sound policies for education and research, and I take that role very seriously. So yes, I travel quite a bit. Over the course of any week I will have meetings with faculty and students, and with alumni, with people in the Boston community. ... There are a number of structures at MIT that help draw the Institute together as one. Probably the most important group is the Academic Council, which is the

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— Susan Hockfield

senior academic and administrative leadership that meets once a week. It’s a group I chair and that I find a very important meeting in terms of addressing all of the affairs of the Institute.

TT: What were your first impressions of MIT and what do you think are the major joys and challenges that the incoming students will face?

SH: My first impressions of MIT were that it’s very different from the inside compared to how it’s viewed from the outside. From the outside, of course, the brilliance of MIT shines but I would say is insufficiently understood because it’s actually even more remarkable in terms of academic brilliance from the inside than it is from the outside. From the outside I think MIT is often still perceived as predominantly an engineering school. I think the humanness and the warmth of the MIT environment is something you don’t know from the outside, and certainly being on the inside you understand just how a wonderfully human place it is. ... One of the things that I’ve found wonderfully exciting about MIT is the energy of the place. It’s a place that really is full of a kind of excitement about the future. It’s full of a passion for working hard at problems and getting them solved. ... You said what are the joys –

TT: Yeah, so do you think there are any specific joys, or challenges, even that incoming students will face?

SH: There really is tremendous joy in the richness of the MIT experience. When I thought, prompted by the questions that came to me, what my advice might be for students, and it’s the advice that I would give to anyone coming to this wonderfully rich community: look around. Sample some of the great array of activities, curricular and extracurricular, that MIT has to offer. Remain as broadly open to the array of experience as you can be. Both the breadth and the depth of what we do is really quite extraordinary. I encourage undergraduates to get involved in the UROP [Undergraduate Research Opportunities] program. About 85 percent of our students by the time they leave have done a UROP, but I know that some of those students have only discovered UROP relatively late in their time. UROP is a very great way of actually sampling some of the depth of MIT.

TT: So, more personal questions: what do you like best about your job?

SH: The people. The range of

activities is just spectacular. I often say that when I speak with faculty or students I find myself in a future I had not yet imagined. The work at MIT really reaches into the distant future in ways that are really difficult to express. I get excited by the deep scholarship that goes on here across the board. ... Another thing I just love about MIT is that it reaches across the entire continuum of study from the very most basic curiosity-driven research, into the deepest questions about the universe, to extremely practical outcomes. This year I have been focused on energy a great deal and one of the exciting things over the last year have been four new battery technologies that have come out of MIT laboratories. Because storage is the rate-limiting technology for all alternative energy, I’m very excited that MIT is actually helping to solve that problem by inventing new ways of energy storage.

TT: What do you like to do for fun?

SH: I like to spend time with my daughter and my husband. This summer we’ve been playing some tennis, that’s something I’ve always enjoyed. We’ve been enjoying exploring the city. We still are relative newcomers and it’s just great, on a beautiful summer evening, to walk across one of these bridges and explore parts of the city. So we really have been enjoying exploring Boston and Cambridge.

TT: Have you discovered any particular places that you would recommend freshmen go out and find?

SH: The [Isabella] Stewart Gardner museum, which I finally visited just last week, is just remarkable and wonderful, as is the Museum of Fine Arts. If you like museums, they’re great. If you like music, the music is just breathtaking.

TT: What about sports? Do you cheer for Boston teams?

SH: Of course. We’ve had the great pleasure of attending Red Sox games and Patriots games. It’s wonderful. The excitement of having local teams is contagious.

TT: As a woman in the sciences, how do you balance your responsibilities to your work and to your family?

SH: I balance them by having a great team at home as well as a great team here in the office. I believe that our best work is done by groups of people, and so I rely on others to help in all the tasks that I do. My husband has been extraordinarily supportive throughout our lives together and both of our careers have managed to evolve in ways that help me to do the kind of work I can do and help him do the kind of work he can do. Balancing work and family requires teamwork on both sides and being able to rely on the senior leadership team and my family... to do their roles in helping this equation work.

TT: Is it difficult, though? Do you ever feel torn between one or the other?

SH: Well, one of the wonderful consequences of doing work that you really enjoy, and really get absorbed in, is that you wish you could be in two places at once, and that’s been true since I discovered that science was my true calling. Everyone wishes that you had 48 hours in a day! The fact is you have 24 and figuring out how to use those 24 most productively is an important challenge. It’s one of the things that our students work on, too. Figuring out how to get all of the activities in a day that together make for a balanced life, I think, is one of the important challenges of being in college. It’s a challenge that doesn’t go away.

TT: The “Sleep, friends, or work: pick two”?

SH: Yes, and I’ve met any number of students who choose sleep, friends, *and* work and find a very happy balance. Of course, the balance isn’t something that is the same every day of the semester; it changes over the course of the semester. But one of the things that I’ve found enormously inspiring is the num-

ber of MIT students who have been extraordinarily successful scholars and also extraordinarily successful athletes or extraordinarily successful musicians who really have been able to figure out how to balance their activities, set priorities, and organize a day so that they can have full and interesting lives.

TT: What’s it like to live in the Gray House?

SH: It’s wonderful living on campus. One of the things that I enjoy is that I walk to work. On the way between my office and our home I get to run into people, have conversations, I get a look at the campus, so it’s a wonderful way of being part of the community. The Gray House is a spectacular place for having events and we’ve enjoyed hosting events at the house too.

TT: One more quick question: MIT was recently ranked first, for the second year in a row, by Washington Monthly magazine, which ranks universities by their service to the country. What do you think is the significance of that ranking and what more can MIT do to be an enabler of social change?

SH: I was of course very pleased with the rankings, but of course you’re always pleased when you come out at the top. It was a particularly interesting ranking because it underscores something that I admire about MIT and I’m very proud

of. I often say that MIT is a place where the American dream comes true. A significant fraction of our students come from families that are not what one would consider

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me the story of being able to come to MIT only because they received a financial aid package, and coming to MIT having changed their lives and then allowed them to change the world. So this really is a recipe for how higher education can have an enormous impact on making the world a better place for all. MIT has done this over many, many decades and is committed to continuing to do this, so I was delighted that this particular ranking system took note of some of the features that MIT holds as important guiding principles for our education.

TT: Is there anything else that you’d like to say to the incoming students, both graduate students and freshmen?

SH: I would say the three things that I’d advise are get to know at least one member of the faculty, and more if possible. Really get to know the faculty because they can serve important roles in many different ways and they are interested in getting to know you. Second, for undergraduates, do a UROP. And the third, for everyone, is get involved in student activities. We have a wonderful community that interacts together in many wonderful ways and getting involved in things outside the classroom, for many students, is a critically important and exciting part of their life here, as you, Marissa, can attest.

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area. It begins with the Sun at the Museum of Science and extends as far as Newton, where a model of the dwarf planet Pluto can be found at the Riverside T station. Mars is the closest model to the MIT campus and is located on the second floor of the Cambridgeside Galleria. The planets are free to visit and some are within walking distance, but I suggest buying a daily T pass if you plan on exploring the outer limits of our solar system in one day.

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The Harvard Natural History Museum, one of my favorite museums in Boston, is reminiscent of similar natural history museums in New York and Washington but has the added benefit of being right up Mass. Ave. The best part is the Hall of Mammals, which has huge rooms full of taxidermied animals, but the geological galleries and glass flowers are interesting too.

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This quintessential Boston tourist destination is a collection of the most interesting historical sights around the city, and walking from place to place is a convenient form of exercise. My favorites include the Old North Church (be sure to stop and get some pastries while you're in the North End) and the graveyards near

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Another great deal with your MIT ID, the MFA boasts an impressive collection of American art, including Paul Revere's silverware and the portrait of George Washington that was used on the dollar bill. Musical instruments and Egyptian artifacts are also among the museum's collections, but my favorite is the Impressionist / 20th Century European art room, which includes works by Van Gogh and Monet.

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12:00—**Kappa Sigma**—Annual Pig Roast—Come meet the brothers of Kappa Sig and our ladies, play sports, swim and slip-n-slide on our roof, and eat some swine! Our house is right near Burton-Conner.
12:45—**pika**—Ultimate Frisbee and Lounging at Briggs (lounge chairs, sun umbrellas, punch, games)
12:54—**Delta Kappa Epsilon**—Alley Rally—Come check out the Amherst Alley frats in a joint event. DKE, KS, TDC, ATO, PBE. Music, inflatable attractions, food and prizes.
12:54—**Kappa Sigma**—Alley Rally—Amherst Alley (from Baker to Burton-Conner) will be full of events from all five adjacent houses including a raffle for an Xbox 360. Come meet the brothers of Kappa Sig, play sports, beat up some printers, and wait for the pig to roast. The debauchery will go all day as we will move to the roof at night.
12:54—**Alpha Tau Omega**—Alley Rally—Join the 5 frats of Amherst Alley after the Greek Griller

13:00

13:00—**Theta Delta Chi**—Alley Rally—Giant carnival thing with free food and a moonwalk. Why miss it?
13:00—**Pi Lambda Phi**—Sumo Wrestling—Eat like a sumo; wrestle like one. Challenge and defeat our house champions to win fame, fortune and free food (and by fortune we mean lots of prizes).
13:00—**Phi Kappa Theta**—Open House with Smoothies—Come chill, meet some new people, get a house tour and have a smoothie! Stick around for...
13:00—**Alpha Epsilon Pi**—Toy Impact Testing—Ever wondered what MIT students do when they're really bored?
13:00—**Sigma Phi Epsilon**—Catapult Design Competition—Ever wanted to build a catapult and fling things? Will you be in the team that builds the most powerful, most accurate catapult? Come to Briggs Field (next to the dorms) and join a team to build the best catapult.
13:00—**Theta Xi**—Roofdeck Snow Cones and House Tours—Cool off with a snow cone or smoothie and enjoy a lovely Saturday afternoon with spectacular views of Fenway, Boston, and the Charles.
13:00—**Chi Phi**—Open-house at Chi Phi - Bouncy Boxing & Snowball fights—Come hang out, chill, and meet the guys at our beautiful mansion! If you're up to the task, challenge any one of our brothers or other freshman to games of pool, foosball, or bouncy boxing. This is a great chance to meet Chi Phi and get a tour of our home.
13:00—**Sigma Chi**—Hang Out at Sigma Chi—Come and hang out with the brothers of Sigma Chi at our house in Boston. Billiards, music, dancing, and unlimited food, so stop by for an afternoon of fun.
13:00—**Delta Tau Delta**—Tours of Delta Tau Delta—Come meet the brothers and tour our amazing Back Bay brownstone.
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13:45—**Lambda Chi Alpha**—Roof Deck Cookout—Hang out with the brothers and friends of Lambda Chi Alpha

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14:00—**Alpha Tau Omega**—Ice Cream—Need some dessert after the Greek Griller? Come by for some Ice Cream and take a tour of the house.
14:00—**Nu Delta**—Nu Delt X-Perience—Come chill with the brotherhood and experience the many different activities a Nu Delt does in their spare time.
14:00—**Phi Sigma Kappa**—Rush Pre-Game—Meet the men of PhiSig before the madness of rush begins! Play some football, take a tour of the house, and enjoy the sun out on our front steps.
14:00—**Sigma Nu**—American Gladiator—Come and battle it out with other freshmen gladiator-style on our inflatable battle field. See if you've got what it takes to be the one still standing when it's all over!
14:00—**Sigma Nu**—Barbecue—Come check out our beautiful house and socialize with the brothers and other freshmen. Our grill will make sure you don't go hungry, and our brothers will keep you entertained.
14:00—**Zeta Beta Tau**—ZBTahiti Luau—Take a tour of our house and try one of our delicious tropical smoothies served in a coconut shell at this authentic Hawaiian luau.
14:00—**Phi Delta Theta**—Afternoon Rush Kickoff—Start your Rush with the brothers of Phi Delta Theta as we fire up our backyard BBQ. Come eat food, throw around some footballs and Frisbees, play some Halo, chill at the house and meet the brothers.
14:06—**No. 6 Club**—No.6 Open House—Stop by our house (between Burton-Connor and MacGregor) for tours and to hang out

15:00

15:00—**pika**—Snack Food, Fun, and House Tour Madness at pika
15:00—**WILG**—Luau at ADP — come meet the fraternity next door and hang out on our giant patio.
15:00—**Theta Delta Chi**—FUNK is meant to be heard live—Come get funkned on our roof deck by Incognito Sofa Love!
15:00—**Alpha Tau Omega**—Tours of ATO—

Come meet the brothers of ATO and check out the view of the Boston skyline from our roofdeck, home of the famous ATO Beach Party.
15:00—**Sigma Nu**—Pool Tournament—Want you very own Xbox 360? Then come show us what you've got. We've got our pool table on the first floor of our brownstone mansion, and it's always looking for a good game.
15:00—**Alpha Delta Phi**—Caribbean Luau—Come join us for smoothies, a piñata, house tours, and good times.
15:00—**Delta Upsilon**—House Tours—Come see DU on 526 Beacon Street - just across the Mass Ave bridge and to the right. Hang around for the lobster dinner and live funk music later on.
15:00—**Phi Kappa Sigma**—Skullhouse Carnival—Join the brothers of Phi Kappa Sigma and meet your new classmates at the Skullhouse Carnival where you'll find snow cones, cotton candy, games and prizes. Don't forget to get a tour the nicest house at MIT and make sure you stick around for the grand prize raffle — an XBOX 360!
15:22—**Tau Epsilon Phi**—Liquid Nitrogen Ice Cream—We have a dewar of the cold stuff. The REAL cold stuff. That 77.2 Kelvin. And we're hungry and we just want to have fun.

16:00

16:04—**Fenway House**—Stage combat class. Come learn how to slam people's heads into walls, wield a sword, gouge out eyes, and slay your foe! Armed and unarmed combat. *web.mit.edu/fenway/www* for a sword.
16:22—**Tau Epsilon Phi**—Walking Tour of Boston—Leaving from tEp, we shall visit all the great wonders of the boston area. From the Mothership to Newbury street all will be made clear.
16:45—**Chi Phi**—Snow-sledding and water balloon fight—Cool off and kick back in the September heat with some snow-sledding (with real snow), water balloons, drinks and snacks.

17:00

17:00—**Theta Delta Chi**—EAT EXOTIC MEAT @ TDC: Ostrich, Buffalo, and More!—"And you shall bring into the stomach two of every kind of every living thing of all flesh [...] of birds after their kind, and of beasts after their kind, of every creeping thing of the earth after its kind." (Gen. 6:19–20) (mmm, tasty)
17:00—**Phi Sigma Kappa**—PhiSig Phest—Kick off rush with a bonanza of fun and games! Take part in our raffle for prizes such as an Xbox 360, several iPods, and gift certificates to Boston's biggest hot spots!
17:00—**Theta Xi**—Boston Barbeque—Come join us as we cook meat with fire on a beautiful Boston evening.
17:45—**Chi Phi**—Fajitas and Taco Dinner—All you can eat fajitas and Mexican food prepared by our full-time chef, Cheryl.

18:00

18:00—**Epsilon Theta**—Hungry? Come to Epsilon Theta and dine with us. Our chef cooks 7 meals a week, and always has vegetarian options available. The Big Silver Van leaves the MIT Chapel at 5:15 p.m.
18:00—**Theta Delta Chi**—Green Bowling—Come bowling with heads of cabbage and lettuce using broccoli pins. We will be using all things green at this event at TDC's highest elevation.
18:00—**Pi Lambda Phi**—Kebabs!—This isn't your ordinary barbecue: come enjoy some gourmet shish-kebabs that will put all other BBQs to shame.
18:00—**Phi Kappa Theta**—White Castle Slyders with Harold, Kumar and PhiKaps—Ever wonder just how delicious the infamous White Castle slyder is? Well, we've got 600 straight from NY. Join us and chow down while watching the famous movie!
18:00—**Sigma Nu**—Steak Dinner—Hungry? Then stop by for a steak grillder to perfection. Our resident Brazilian (Issao Fujiwara) will show you his awesome grillin' skills.
18:00—**Alpha Delta Phi**—Steak and Lobster—Free surf and turf dinner. Delicious.
18:00—**Sigma Phi Epsilon**—Sound Body BBQ with Alumni—Come get some amazing BBQ food right in front of the Student Center — Sound Body style! If you're inreterested in meeting our alumni and getting a little more insight on SigEp, be sure to stop by at the Kresge BBQ Pits.
18:00—**Zeta Psi**—Red Bones vs. Blue Ribbon Ribs—Compare two of the best ribs in Boston and check out our house before Car Bash.
18:00—**Zeta Beta Tau**—Our Annual Steak and Lobster Feast—Enjoy as much Filet Mignon and Lobster as you can eat!
18:00—**Beta Theta Pi**—Main House Foursquare and a Movie—Come watch the Coen brothers' masterpiece, "The Big Lebowski," projected onto the side of our Main House, and don't miss out on a Beta tradtion: competitive Foursquare.
18:00—**Delta Kappa Epsilon**—Mechanical Bull—Cowboy Up! The only time it's acceptable to last less than ten seconds. Longest ride wins a prize.
18:00—**Phi Kappa Sigma**—Rush Kickoff Dinner Catered by Blue Ribbon BBQ—Come chat with the brothers of Phi Kappa Sigma while feasting on delicious barbecue from Blue Ribbon. This won't be any ordinary meal! Complete with pulled pork, ribs, and mashed potatoes, this is a meal you surely won't forget.
18:00—**Delta Upsilon**—Lobster Dinner—Come enjoy lobster on our roof deck and check out the views of Cambridge and Boston. Also, stick around for the live music later on.
18:06—**No. 6 Club**—BBQ and Lamb Roast—We're roasting a whole lamb. Come and share!
18:22—**Tau Epsilon Phi**—The VLCA: Electric Discharge is fun—It has a time constant of charge of 6.7 seconds. It vaporizes aluminum. A far more entertaining approach to 8.02.

18:30—**Alpha Tau Omega**—Chill before dinner—Meet the brothers of ATO and find out what MIT is really all about.
18:30—**Theta Chi**—Italian Dinner—Meet our Italian chefs; they'll make you happy.
18:42—**Fenway House**—Come see our Super Elliptical Spiral Staircase! Its one of only seven in Boston, three in Massachusetts, and two in North America! *web.mit.edu/fenway/www* for directions.
18:45—**pika**—Home-cooked dinner at pika - 7-dish Haymarket fiesta! Veggie and vegan options (and probably one for omnivores, too)!

19:00

19:00—**Alpha Tau Omega**—Steak & Lobster—

Chef John, former chef of Legal Seafood, cooks up a mean meal of steak, lobster, and shrimp. An event not to be missed.
19:00—**Alpha Delta Phi**—Casino Night—Think you know when to hold, Æoem and fold, Æoem? Think you're the heir to MIT's legendary Blackjack tradition? If so, come on over and you might just win an Xbox 360.
19:00—**Alpha Epsilon Pi**—Dinner: The Un-Barbecue—Whatever we serve, we can guarantee it will not in any way implicate lipid-burgers and shlock-dogs.
19:00—**Theta Xi**—Carnival and Comedy Night—Looking for fun? You've found the right place. We've got everything from a big-glove boxing on a moonbounce to an improv comedy show by the world-famous Post Modern Avengers, not to mention a dunktank, minigolf and a pool tournament with prizes!
19:00—**Chi Phi**—Salsa Lessons—Show off your moves and meet some of the women in your class during our Salsa and Merengue lesson taught by a professional instructor!
19:00—**Delta Kappa Epsilon**—Surf and Turf Dinner—Steak and seafood fresh off the grill prepared by our 4 star chef.
19:00—**Phi Delta Theta**—Ribs and Chowda—A former Legal Seafoods chef, Chef John's Clam Chowda is unmatched! Stick around and try your luck at the Phi Deltas Poker Tournament.
19:16—**Fenway House**—Hungry? Have dinner at Fenway. What are we making? Spin the Wheel Of Cuisine so we'll know what to make. *web.mit.edu/fenway/www* for directions.
19:22—**Tau Epsilon Phi**—Chinese Food from Hsin Hsin—Pull up a chair, grab a grape soder and enjoy dinner from our favorite local restaurant.

20:00

20:00—**pika**—Bad Movie Club: Come to pika and see one of history's biggest and baddest B-movie belflylops. Make fun of it.
20:00—**Epsilon Theta**—Come to our ballroom dance party. Everyone looks stylish when they're dancing in a swishy skirt (especially guys!) Even if you've never danced before, we will show you how to dance... or at least fake it well. The Big Silver Van leaves the MIT chapel at 7:30 p.m. and 10:30 p.m..
20:00—**Sigma Nu**—Cards Tournament—We've got a pack of cards, and we've got another Xbox kickin' around. Bring your best game to take it off our hands
20:00—**Phi Kappa Theta**—Unplugged Jam Night and Social Hour—Come chill with cool new people, pick up an instrument and jam, or get entertained by the brothers of PKT!
20:00—**Sigma Nu**—Live Band—Come on over, and rock out with the Josh Cramoy Band!! Plus, check out our beautiful house.
20:00—**Sigma Phi Epsilon**—Karaoke/Open Mic Night—Come show off your talents with the Brothers of SigEp, meet some new people, and enjoy the entertainment and snacks, live on the Student Center steps!
20:00—**Zeta Psi**—27th Annual Car Bash—Got those pre-class jitters? Take out your back-to-school frustrations the best way we know how, by destroying a car with a sledge hammer. Stress relief never felt so good.
20:00—**Zeta Beta Tau**—Comedy Night featuring Steve Byrne—Come see one of New York's finest stand-up comics perform live at ZBT.
20:00—**Phi Kappa Sigma**—Nationally Acclaimed Comedian Bert Kreischer—He's been on Comedy Central, VH1, and Spike TV but now you can see him in person at PKSt! This is the event to be at! Join us for an evening of laughter with comedian Bert Kreischer.
20:00—**Delta Tau Delta**—Stand Up Comedian—Delta Tau Delta presents Boston's own comedian Joe Wong.
20:30—**Theta Delta Chi**—Salsa Lessons—Learn how to impress women as if you were a lusty Latino. If you already are, come and show off for the ladies.
20:30—**Alpha Tau Omega**—Dessert—Finish off the meal right. Meet the brothers and check out the view at night before the Beach Party
20:30—**Phi Delta Theta**—Phi Deltas Texas Hold'em Poker Tournament—One night of Texas Hold'em. Come win an X-Box 360, iPod Nano, or other awesome prizes. Regardless of your playing ability, come shuffle up and deal at Phi Delta Theta.

21:00

21:00—**pika**—Desserts, at pika! (yummy)
21:00—**Alpha Epsilon Pi**—Frank Santos: X-Rated Hypnotist—An evening of hilarious hypnotic comedy.
21:00—**Chi Phi**—Get pumped! - Rush Kickoff Party—Party hosted by DJs Bump and Grind featuring a dance competition with prizes! If dancing isn't your thing, kick back and indulge in our tropical smoothies and snacks.
21:00—**Theta Chi**—Sushi/Blacklight Party—A live performance by The Goodnight Process, Sushi, Blacklights. So many good things in one event.
21:00—**Delta Upsilon**—Roof Deck Party at DU ~ with Kenwood Dennard—Checkout a funk rock trio lead by legendary jazz drummer Kenwood Dennard and party on our roof deck! Either walk or take safe ride to the first stop across the bridge and turn right to get to 526 Beacon Street.
21:22—**Tau Epsilon Phi**—Ooblek!—We take 622 pounds of corn starch and 622 pounds of water. We mix them together and put them in a kiddie pool. The result is a large quantity of non-newtonian liquid: harder the more you put pressure on it. Wrestling and games ensue.

22:00

22:00—**Theta Delta Chi**—DISORIENTATION—Partier harder tonight than you did through all of orientation,
22:00—**Pi Lambda Phi**—South Beach Party—Recreate a night on the South Beach Strip as our DJ spins up this summer's hottest beats. It's one party you don't want to miss.
22:00—**Alpha Tau Omega**—ATO BEACH PARTY 2006—Get ready to get down. Come check out ATO's Beach Party, MIT's hottest party of the fall, featuring a spacious roofdeck, a view of the Boston skyline, and DJ Nupprin of NYC spinning the latest in hip-hop, R&B, and reggaeton.
22:00—**Zeta Psi**—House Tours and Ice Cream—Come over to see the most modern house at MIT and enjoy ice cream sundaes.
22:06—**No. 6 Club**—Karoke and Dancing @ No6—We're singing. And dancing.
22:30—**Lambda Chi Alpha**—LCA Party—Ask

anyone in Boston. LCA parties are the best.

23:00

23:00—**Epsilon Theta**—Come to ET for a showing of some Firefly episodes. What can be better than a showing of a scifi series from FOX of a disutopian future that was aired out of order for less than one season? No really, it's good! The Big Silver Van leaves the MIT Chapel at 10:30 p.m..
23:00—**Phi Kappa Theta**—Takeout Sampler—You're definitely going to have some takeout food during your time at MIT. Come and get an introduction to some of the best takeout places in Boston.
23:00—**Theta Xi**—Infinite Dessert Tray—Is there such a thing as infinite dessert? No, but we will approach it. Stop by for delicious desserts prepared by the brothers.
23:22—**Tau Epsilon Phi**—Lazor Light Show: Grooving to the Moskau Beat—Come see our famous lazor light show. The light pulses to the music. Its so.... hypnotizing.
23:59—**Alpha Delta Phi**—Underground Capture the Flag—An ADP tradition. Explore the underground corridors of MIT's academic buildings while searching for the flag. Food and Gatorade will be provided.
23:59—**Kappa Sigma**—Midnight Buffet—Stop by our house for a preview of the staples of traditional Kappa Sigma late night cuisine: fried food, pizza, and purple drink (sugar, water, purple?). Right near Burton-Conner.

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01:00

01:30—**Alpha Tau Omega**—ATO Quesadillas—It's a Facebook group for a reason. Come by and get a piece of the coveted late night snack & a game of home run derby.

07:00

07:00—**pika**—Breakfast at pika. Hungry in the morning (or evening)? Stop by anytime from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. (or from 7 p.m. to 7 a.m.) and grab some breakfast food!

08:00

08:00—**Nu Delta**—Breakfast w/ Nu Deltas—Come enjoy breakfast with the Nu Delta crew before we all head out for the day's activities.

09:00

09:00—**Nu Delta**—Paintball—Enjoy one of the ultimate thrills of life as you are armed with but a paintball gun and some ammo and are thrown into the mix of simulated gunfights.
09:00—**Sigma Nu**—Tropical Breakfast—Come have a delicious tropical breakfast. We're not entirely sure what that means, but come see what we come up with.
09:00—**Theta Delta Chi**—Paintball—Cock your gun and shoot your juicy balls at the enemy. Cream your friends!
09:00—**Phi Kappa Sigma**—Breakfast @ Skullhouse—Already had Anna's for every meal since you got to campus? Come to Skullhouse for a real morning smorgasbord, including: pancakes, eggs, bacon, cereal, donuts, toast, and waffles.
09:30—**Sigma Phi Epsilon**—Fenway Park Tour—Ever taken a tour through Fenway Park, home to the 2004 World Series Champs? Come join us and learn about the facilities and the stories behind Boston's own Fenway Park. Meet up with us at Twenty Chimneys (Student Center 3rd floor.)
09:30—**Kappa Sigma**—Made to Order Breakfast—Start Sunday off right with breakfast your way prepared by our exquisite Chef John Compton.

10:00

10:00—**Epsilon Theta**—Stayed up too late watching Firefly? Well, get a yummy start on the day with a complete breakfast: thetan style! We will have stacks of pancakes ready for you to load any toppings of your choosing (yes, any topping). As always, vegetarian options are available.
10:00—**Phi Sigma Kappa**—Paintball—Year after year, the best paintball event Rush has to offer. Engage in nonstop paintball battles... with forty other PhiSigs and friends.
10:00—**Sigma Nu**—Paintball—We know you haven't yet gotten any psets, but you can still vent some deep-rooted anger with some good ole-fashioned Paintball! Join the bro's as we set off to Randolph Paintball to shoot a couple (friendly) rounds at each other.
10:00—**Alpha Delta Phi**—Breakfast—Get some breakfast before paintballing.
10:00—**Chi Phi**—All-you-can-eat-Brunch at Chi Phi—Wake up to a magnificent breakfast of eggs, sausage, bacon, pancakes, cheesesteaks, and more! Just take it easy and hang out watching cartoons, playing video games, or whatever you want.
10:00—**Zeta Beta Tau**—Build Your Own Potato Cannon—Build your own 6-foot potato gun and practice launching some spuds in our basement target range.
10:00—**Theta Chi**—Canoe Trip— Relax, sit back, and let the Rush Girls do the paddling.
10:00—**Phi Delta Theta**—Breakfast—Start your day off right with all-you-can-eat pancakes, omelets, and crepes.
10:00—**Kappa Sigma**—Monster Golf Around Campus and More....—Come try Kappa Sigma's 18 Hole Campus golf course. Football, basketball, and wiffle ball will also be going on.
10:00—**Sigma Chi**—Day at the Beach—Enjoy a day at the beach, with food, sports, and canoeing. Get out and relax a little before classes start up.
10:06—**No. 6 Club**—Breakfast @ No6—Have breakfast with us before our trip to the beach
10:15—**Beta Theta Pi**—F1 Go-Kart Racing—If your thrill meter is running on empty, then getting behind the wheel of the FASTEST F1 racing karts in New England is the perfect fuel! We have F1 Boston's LARGEST and most electrifying multi-level track reserved - life doesn't have to be dull.

11:00

11:00—**Pi Lambda Phi**—Xtreme Paintball—It's just like a FPS, except with better graphics!
11:00—**Phi Kappa Theta**—Beach and Lobster Getaway—Join us for waves, sports, and good times under the sun! Don't miss your chance for some free lobster at the beach!
11:00—**Alpha Delta Phi**—Paintball—Boston's where the Revolution started, so spend the day shooting up the redcoats, i.e. your friends.
11:00—**Alpha Epsilon Pi**—Gulf War Paintball—Paintball, with us.
11:00—**Sigma Phi Epsilon**—Boston's Freedom Trail—You're going to be living in one of the Nation's oldest cities. Come learn about Boston and all the history it holds. Meet up before hand at Twenty Chimneys (Student Center 3rd floor.)
11:00—**Zeta Psi**—Zete Paintball Trip—Get off

campus, meet new people, and shoot them. Trust us, it's worth the trip.
11:00—**Theta Xi**—Theta Xi Brunch—Stop by for a hearty brunch of pancakes, french toast, sausage, bacon, eggs, and more. Stick around to take a tour of our beautiful Boston brownstone.
11:00—**Chi Phi**—Paintball—Come and take part in one of the most popular events around! Worried about getting your clothes dirty or sweaty? Don't worry, we'll provide you with all of the gear, clothes, equipment, pizza, and anything else you'll need for free!
11:00—**Delta Kappa Epsilon**—Laser Tag—Take a trip to Laser Quest with the brothers of DKE.
11:00—**Kappa Sigma**—F1 Racing at Racing America—The fastest Kart Racing in the state on the best indoor courses... or just come for the free lunch.
11:00—**Delta Tau Delta**—Canoe Trip—Come take a trip with the brothers of Delta Tau Delta to nearby Ipswich, MA to enjoy a day on the river away from Boston. Lunch provided.
11:06—**No. 6 Club**—No.6 Beach Trip—Come to the house anytime from 11 onwards to join our trip to the beach. Bring your swimming suit.
11:09—**Fenway House**—How many steps does it take to put a giraffe in Fenway's magic fridge?
11:13—**Fenway House**—Three. Open the magic fridge. Put the giraffe in. Close the magic fridge. This message brought to you by the age and wisdom of Henway Fouse.
11:20—**Tau Epsilon Phi**—Pancakes and Egg Breakfast—Just woke up! Come to tEp and eat breakfast with the brothers!
11:22—**Tau Epsilon Phi**—Liquid Nitrogen Icecream—Why have eggs in the morning when you could have icecream?

12:00

12:00—**pika**—Eat Healthy! Come to pika for a wholesome lunch!
12:00—**pika**—Meet at pika to see the local Cambridgeport art gallery. Explore a little of the city you live in. Maybe make some art of your own! (art gallery open 12 p.m.–6 p.m.), groups will be leaving pika sporadically.
12:00—**Theta Delta Chi**—Paintball—Cock your gun and shoot your juicy balls at the enemy. Cream your friends!
12:00—**Phi Delta Theta**—Canoeing on the Charles—First grab some lunch with the brothers, then put on your swimsuit, grab a water gun and check out the Charles River by canoe.
12:00—**Phi Kappa Sigma**—Formula 1 Racing—Come try to show up the brothers of Skullhouse with your F1 racing skills. Don't get left in the dust — suit up, hop in a car, and race to the death against your new classmates and the brothers of Phi Kappa Sigma.
12:30—**Epsilon Theta**—Tom Stoppard. David Ives. Larry Wall. Cosmopolitan Magazine. Good theater is everywhere. Join us for some dramatic readings in the park across ET, before we get something of more dubious literary quality. The Big Silver Van leaves the MIT chapel at 12:15 p.m. and 1:30 p.m..
12:30—**Lambda Chi Alpha**—Beach—Take in the beautiful "scenery" We'll leave LCA at 12:30 and pick up by Laverde's at 12:45

13:00

13:00—**pika**—Want to eat healthy while at MIT? Come to pika for a healthy food shopping tour, and learn how!
13:00—**Alpha Tau Omega**—BBQ—by for burgers, sausages, hot dogs and more at the ATO Barbecue pit.
13:00—**Theta Xi**—Paintball—Vans leave at 1:15. You better bring it.
13:00—**Zeta Beta Tau**—Canoeing on The Charles River—Enjoy a scenic canoeing trip on the western part of the Charles River, along with a picnic featuring 12-foot subs.
13:00—**Zeta Psi**—Boston Common Trip—Join Zetes as we make a trip into Boston and hang out at the Commons, the oasis of the city.

14:00

14:00—**Alpha Tau Omega**—Dunk-a-Dean—Dunk MIT's Dean of Substance Abuse, Danny Trujillo and grab some food as the BBQ continues.
14:00—**Alpha Delta Phi**—Pizza at Bertucci's—Miss lunch? Grab some pizza with us.
14:00—**Phi Kappa Sigma**—Good Times Arcade—Come enjoy the largest arcade in New England. They've got everything from your favorite video games to skee-ball and bowling.
14:22—**Tau Epsilon Phi**—Oversized Finger Painting.—Come up to the roof of good ole T.E.Phi where we have a thirty foot long piece of paper and a lot of finger paint. Together we shall make a masterpiece!

16:00

16:00—**Alpha Tau Omega**—Driving Range—Come join the brothers of ATO hit some balls
16:00—**Sigma Nu**—Wiffleball—Come play a game of wiffleball with us at our own version of Fenway: The Back Bay Fens! Across from our street is a beautiful park where we often play sports; Join us for a sampler!
16:00—**Chi Phi**—Chi Phi Luau and Pig Roast—Another one of our freshman favorites, indulge in this Hawaiian feast as one of our brothers will be slow-roasting a full pig (there will be other non-pork related food as well)! Featuring hula skirts, coconut bras, cool drinks, scrumptious snacks, chill music, and all the barbequed food you can eat?! Everyone's invited!
16:22—**Tau Epsilon Phi**—Re-enactment of World War V—Androids versus Genetically Engineered Scorpions.

17:00

17:00—**WILG**—BBQ at ADP - come over and hang out with free food prepared by the guys next door.
17:00—**Nu Delta**—F1 Racing—Capable of going up to 40 mph, racing in Formula 1 cars is a thrilling experience that you don't want to miss.
17:00—**Alpha Delta Phi**—BBQ with Women's Independent Living Group—Chef Bobby Mac barbecues on our shared patio. Enjoy the good food and relax with brothers and the women of WILG.
17:22—**Tau Epsilon Phi**—Fun with Liquid Nitrogen!—Whatever could one do with all of this liquid nitrogen? We'll just have to enlist some help to dispose of it entertainingly.
17:30—**Theta Delta Chi**—Dinner & Comedy Connection—Enjoy dinner, a laugh with professional (term used loosely) comedians, and Mike's Pastries

18:00

18:00—**Pi Lambda Phi**—Ribs!—20+ full slabs of Southern Goodness. Napkins are provided, but you don't have to use them.
18:00—**Phi Sigma Kappa**—Roofdeck Grill—Check out our newly refurbished roofdeck,

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complete with all-weather speaker system. Kick back with brothers and friends of the house with barbecue and cold drinks.

18:00—**Sigma Nu**—Dinner at Vinny T's—Join us for some delicious Italian dining at a local favorite: Vinny T's!

18:00—**Sigma Phi Epsilon**—Dinner at Dick's Last Resort—Dick's Last Resort is a Boston experience you can't miss. Come see what all the fuss is about. Meet us at Twenty Chimneys (Student Center 3rd floor.)

18:00—**Zeta Psi**—Fondue Dinner—Come enjoy this classy fondue dinner followed by fondue dessert.

18:00—**Zeta Beta Tau**—Dinner: Italian Buffet—Don't get whacked when you pig out on all the lasagna, chicken parmesan, Italian sausage, garlic bread and pasta you can eat.

18:00—**Beta Theta Pi**—Live Rock Show at Beta—Come and rock out to "Good Night Process" at Beta's very own underground concert venue. Experience the aural explosion.

18:00—**Sigma Chi**—Dinner with the Brothers and our House Chef—Fill your stomach at Sigma Chi and get a tour of our house.

18:00—**Delta Tau Delta**—Salmon Dinner—Dinner by our Award Winning Chef Ken Koga includes Salmon, Potatoes, and Asparagus. Bring your friends for some at-home fine dining.

18:30—**Kappa Sigma**—Fire and Ice—Mongolian Barbecue... a tremendous assortment of unlimited meat and fish cooked right in front of you.

18:30—**Phi Kappa Sigma**—Gerry's World Famous Fried Chicken—Join us tonight for spectacular dining as our house chef Gerry prepares his delicious fried chicken and mashed potatoes. Dinner with the skulls is something you never want to miss out on.

18:30—**Delta Upsilon**—Billiards—Come relax and shoot some pool with the brothers of DU at Boston Billiards, right by Fenway Park.

18:45—**pika**—Juggleable Food - How much more fun can eating get? Play with your food - no parents here to tell you not to! Veggie and vegan options (and probably one for carnivores, too!)

18:45—**Chi Phi**—Entertainment Night—Join us for an event-filled evening featuring all sorts of games and entertainment with a chance to get a free iPod Nano and more!!!

19:00

19:00—**Alpha Tau Omega**—Dinner with the Brothers—Chef John cooks another great meal at ATO

19:00—**Phi Kappa Theta**—Chicken and Waffles—Fried chicken and waffles! A match made in heaven.

19:00—**Alpha Delta Phi**—F1 Racing—It doesn't get much faster than this! Race around the track in F1 Boston's 45MPH karts.

19:00—**Alpha Epsilon Phi**—Italian Dinner—Great eats at our house.

19:00—**Theta Xi**—Theta Xi Dinner—Theta Xi boasts one of Boston's finest gourmet chefs. Come see for yourself as Chef D prepares some of our favorites.

19:00—**Theta Chi**—Steak & Lobster Dinner—Theta Chi's oldest rush tradition. Come see for yourself.

19:00—**Phi Delta Theta**—Thanksgiving Dinner—Celebrate the start of Rush week with a Thanksgiving-style dinner with all the fixin's.

19:00—**Delta Tau Delta**—Scavenger Hunt—This plans to be one of the craziest events of this year's rush. We'll be touring Boston looking for items, pictures, and most importantly great stories. Prize awarded to the winning team.

19:22—**Tau Epsilon Phi**—Sushi And Barbeque—Come eat Sushi with us @ tEp. Nigiri and rolls will be served from Blue Fin. A vegetarian and non-raw-fish eating option will be provided.

19:30—**Epsilon Theta**—Love sushi? Come to ET and make your own! We have everything you need to roll your own tasty treats. The Big Silver Van leaves the MIT chapel at 5:15 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

20:00

20:00—**pika**—Juggling and kitchen experiments (erm . . . kitchen SAFETY) at pika

20:00—**Pi Lambda Phi**—Paul Nardizzi @ Pilam—He's won the Boston Comedy Festival and been on Conan O'Brien 3 times. Let the hilarity begin as Pilam presents to you Beantown's finest stand-up comedian.

20:00—**Alpha Tau Omega**—Dessert—Grab some dessert and chill with the brothers. Play Pool, Air Hockey, and Video games

20:00—**Zeta Beta Tau**—Vegas Night—A night of fabulous games, prizes, and more! You could win an iPod or a Sony PSP!

20:00—**Phi Delta Theta**—Fondue—Everything is better with chocolate. Come enjoy chocolate dipped fruit, cookies, and whatever else we can think of (or you can bring) in our elegant, early 20th century library.

20:00—**Phi Kappa Sigma**—Dessert in the North End—Take a walk with us to Boston's most famous Italian neighborhood — the North End. Enjoy desserts from Mike's Pastry — you'll never taste anything better!

20:00—**Sigma Chi**—Stoop Session—Come enjoy a time-honored tradition at Sigma Chi — hanging out and doing nothing.

20:30—**Lambda Chi Alpha**—Jillian's Party—We've rented out part of Boston's most popular entertainment venues. A great time with food, friends, billiards, and bowling. All are welcome Shuttle service running from Student Center First Floor (by Laverde's) to Jillian's.

21:00

21:00—**Alpha Tau Omega**—Bowling in Boston—Bowling at one of the hottest spots in Boston

21:00—**Phi Kappa Theta**—Phi Kappa Theta Card Tournament—Win an iPod, a bike, and other great prizes! Try your luck at PKT!

21:00—**Phi Sigma Kappa**—The Jim Show—Take a break from the heavy activity and laugh at the ridiculous comedy that is The Jim Show. Afterwards, enjoy gourmet desserts from Mike's Pastries on our rooftop.

21:00—**Sigma Nu**—Treasure Hunt—Pete, one of our brothers, has been itching to make some puzzles. Your mission: Run all over Boston, solve puzzles. Be the first to succeed, and there's a prize involved.

21:00—**Alpha Epsilon Pi**—Bowling—"Smokey, this ain't Nam; this is bowling. There are rules."

21:00—**Sigma Phi Epsilon**—Salsa Lessons and Party—The beauty about knowing how to dance Salsa is that there are always women waiting for men to ask them to the dance floor. Learn to Salsa, meet people, dance til the night runs out. at Lobdell (2nd floor of Student Center.)

21:00—**Zeta Psi**—Swing Dance—Enjoy Zeta Psi's more sensitive side after spending the day

playing paintball. Don't worry, we'll be giving lessons too.

21:00—**Theta Xi**—B.A.S.H. (Bad Ass Scavenger Hunt)—A Theta Xi tradition, we will be searching all over Boston for interesting items. Win prizes, win respect.

21:00—**Tau Epsilon Phi**—Foosball Chess—Foosball is Cool. Chess is Cool. The combination: Pure Magic.

21:00—**Delta Kappa Epsilon**—Rooftdeck Party—View, Free. Live DJ, .free. Admission, .free. Deke rooftop party, priceless.

21:00—**Sigma Chi**—Sigs' Breakfast—Come enjoy breakfast before heading to the beach.

21:22—**Tau Epsilon Phi**—USB Powered Toys—Grab a soldering iron and start building something awesome.

21:30—**Theta Chi**—Club Theta Chi Presents Live Comedy—Real live comedians! Sidesplitting laughter, sugary drinks: the ladies will love it, and so will you.

21:30—**Kappa Sigma**—Card Games— WIN PRIZES—Test your skills. There will be multiple televisions and numerous other prizes.

22:00

22:00—**Pi Lambda Phi**—Old School Party—Come relive the best days of your childhood: show off your Super Nintendo skills, relax with some classic movies, and chow down on tons of food.

22:00—**Alpha Tau Omega**—Entourage on the Big Screen—If you don't know what this is, you're missing out on life.

22:00—**Theta Delta Chi**—Drink Milk from the Nipple of the Moon!—Come imbibe the finest nectars this side of the Solar System. Hunter S. Thompson approved, Dr. Octagon recommended; Free this time only! Do not pass up this opportunity to sample this intergalactic treat. Music will be blaring off our THREE roof decks all night.

22:00—**Phi Delta Theta**—REMIX Party—From the house that brought you Noize, the hottest CPW party — we're gonna do it again. Join the packed floor and dance to the newest beats spun by our house DJ.

22:00—**Phi Kappa Sigma**—Skullhouse DOM—Relax and meet some of your classmates and join Skullhouse for smoothies, music, and pool tournaments.

22:06—**No. 6 Club**—Club Six Party—International Music Night @ No. 6

23:00

23:00—**pika**—Midnight Frisbee: Meet at pika for pre-game festivities

23:00—**Phi Kappa Theta**—Boston Late Night Bike Tour—We'll show you Boston from a different perspective! Just let us know, and we'll provide the bike.

23:22—**Tau Epsilon Phi**—LASER Light Show: Dancing with Kadafi—Come to tEp and see our awesome light show pulse the light to the sound of the music.

23:51—**Fenway House**—Want to do our mouse smores for us? web.mit.edu/fenway/www for directions.

23:59—**Phi Kappa Theta**—Chinatown Run—Hungry after a full day of rush? Come join us and get the best late-night food in Boston.

23:59—**Kappa Sigma**—Midnight Buffet—Stop by our house for a preview of the staples of traditional Kappa Sigma late night cuisine: fried food, pizza, and purple drink (sugar, water, purple?). Right near Burton-Conner.

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00:00

00:00—**pika**—Midnight Ultimate (Frisbee) on Turf

01:00

01:00—**Theta Xi**—The Office Marathon—Come by and watch the best episodes of The Office. Not to worry, there will be plenty of caffeine and food to keep you energized.

07:00

07:00—**pika**—Breakfast at pika. Hungry in the morning (or evening)? Stop by anytime from 7 AM to 7 PM (or from 7 PM to 7 AM) and grab some breakfast food!

08:00

08:30—**Sigma Nu**—Deep South Breakfast—Ron Ron, one of our brothers here, is from Mississippi. He's going to try to teach us how to make a southern-style breakfast... Hopefully, a delicious southern-style breakfast.

09:00

09:00—**Nu Delta**—Six Flags—Join Nu Delta on a trip to Six Flags theme park and enjoy a day in the sun on roller coasters, water slides, and everything in between.

09:00—**Alpha Epsilon Pi**—Breakfast!—The most important meal of the day.

09:00—**Chi Phi**—Breakfast—Wake up to another feast of eggs, bacon, sausage, pancakes, waffles, and more and get prepared for our day at the beach!

09:00—**Phi Kappa Sigma**—Breakfast @ Skullhouse—Did you enjoy our breakfast yesterday? Did you miss out and get breakfast at some second-rate place? Well, stop by today for a delicious breakfast prepared by the brothers of Phi Kappa Sigma.

09:00—**Sigma Chi**—Brunch at Sigma Chi—Come enjoy Labor Day brunch at our Beacon Street brownstone. Stop by for food, entertainment, and relaxing on this most glorious of holidays.

09:30—**Sigma Nu**—Six Flags New England—Join us as we travel over to Agawam, MA for games, rides, and general good times at Six Flags New England!

09:30—**Kappa Sigma**—Made to Order Breakfast—Start Monday off right with breakfast your way prepared by our exquisite Chef John Compton.

10:00

10:00—**pika**—Tour Boston with friendly pika-guides! Learn about where you live!

10:00—**Phi Sigma Kappa**—Beach Trip—Take a trip with us down to the best beaches New England has to offer. And by that, we of course mean Rhode Island.

10:00—**Alpha Delta Phi**—Breakfast—Chef Bobby Mac cooks to order.

10:00—**Sigma Phi Epsilon**—Hiking Trip in New Hampshire—Get some Sound Body exercise and meet the brothers of SigEp as we take a scenic hike through the beautiful White Mountains of New Hampshire. Meet up at Twenty Chimneys (Student Center 3rd floor.)

10:00—**Zeta Beta Tau**—Pickup Sports—Join us for a morning workout at our nearby basketball and tennis courts.

10:00—**Theta Delta Chi**—Six Flags—Late night? Roll out of bed and get on some of the best roller coasters that New England has to

offer.

10:00—**Theta Chi**—Breakfast—Enjoy a delicious meal before you hit the waters. Served fresh.

10:00—**Sigma Chi**—Hike in the Blue Hills—Spend a day hiking in Massachusetts' Blue Hills! Enjoy a day outdoors before classes fire up.

10:06—**No. 6 Club**—Breakfast @ No6—Have breakfast with us before we head out to Walden Pond

10:30—**Delta Upsilon**—Crane's Beach with DU—This is a great opportunity to hang out and barbecue on the beach with the brothers of DU. It's going to start getting cold in a month, enjoy the sun while you can...

11:00

11:00—**Alpha Tau Omega**—Annual Canoe Trip—Come join the brothers of Alpha Tau Omega for a canoe trip on the refreshing Concord river. Don't miss this opportunity to get out of the heat and canoe, water fight, eat, and hang out, followed by Ice Cream at one of the top 10 places in the country.

11:00—**Alpha Epsilon Pi**—Target Practice—Putting your 2nd amendment rights to use.

11:00—**Zeta Psi**—Six Flags Trip—Turned down that Florida school for MIT? Come spend the day at New England's best and largest theme park and feel better about your decision.

11:00—**Chi Phi**—Cape Cod Beach Trip and Jet Skis—Take advantage of one of the last days of the summer and head out to a spectacular Cape Cod beach!! There will be food, drinks, frisbees, footballs, volleyballs, etc, all topped off with some jet skiing!!! Can't beat that.

11:00—**Delta Kappa Epsilon**—Beach Trip—Get in some last minute R&R before classes start.

11:00—**Theta Chi**—DEEP Sea Fishin'—All the joys of catching gigantic fish without the threat of pirates.

11:00—**Kappa Sigma**—Six Flags New England—Join the Brothers of Kappa Sig for a day of New England's best amusement park and water rides

11:06—**No. 6 Club**—No.6 Trip to Walden Pond—Come to the house anytime to join us on our annual traditional venture to Walden Pond. Bring your swimming suit.

11:18—**Tau Epsilon Phi**—Purple Peanut Pancakes—Warning this Dish may contain peanuts!

11:22—**Tau Epsilon Phi**—Allergy Attack —We told you that the pancakes contained peanuts didn't we...

11:30—**Alpha Delta Phi**—Six Flags Trip—Come have a good time before classes start on Six Flags' famous roller coasters.

12:00

12:00—**pika**—Hungry? Need lunch? Stop by pika for a bite to eat!

12:00—**Beta Theta Pi**—Labor Day Poetry Slam: Presented by Beta Theta Pi—Spend Labor Day listening to up and coming poets from MIT and Boston area universities. Enjoy individual and team slams, hosted by poet/author Michael Brown, including a live musical intermission and professional poetic theater. Participants welcome! Food aplenty!

12:00—**Phi Delta Theta**—George's Island—Get in one last day of summer at this beautiful Boston island, complete with shoreline, BBQ pits, revolutionary war fort, and scenic ferry ride. Enjoy the outdoors with the brothers of Phi Delta Theta.

12:00—**Phi Kappa Sigma**—Outdoor Excursion with the Skulls—Looking for a short break from the city life? For a more exciting and adventurous day, come out with the brothers of Phi Kappa Sigma for a day of sports, games, and a barbecue in one of Massachusetts' finest state parks.

12:22—**Tau Epsilon Phi**—Arboreteum Picnic—We are going down to that far away place full of trees to have us a picnic lunch. Play frisbe, climb trees.

13:00

13:00—**Theta Xi**—Hiking Trip—Get in touch with your inner-outdoorsman as we hike the Blue Hills, which offer breathtaking views of Boston and the ocean. Be sure to bring a bathing suit for the lake!

13:00—**Zeta Beta Tau**—Paintball—Unleash your inner Rambo as you put your marksmanship and survival skills to the ultimate test on a forested outdoor range.

13:00—**Lambda Chi Alpha**—Paintball—Exciting combat action for the first timer or the experienced player. Leaving LCA @ 1 and picking up at the student center at 1:15

13:00—**Zeta Psi**—BBQ at Zeta Psi—Come enjoy a cookout with the campus renowned grill masters of Zeta Psi.

13:22—**Tau Epsilon Phi**—Frisbee at the Arboreteum—Our picnic continues with a game of pickup frisbee. EIT!

14:00

14:00—**pika**—Travel with pikans to Revere Beach. Splash in the pond . . . erm . . . ocean . . .

14:00—**Alpha Delta Phi**—Pizza at Bertucci's—Miss lunch? Grab some pizza with us.

14:00—**Theta Xi**—Fenway Park Tour—We'll meet at the house then head across the street to take a tour of legendary Fenway Park, home of the 2004 World Champion Boston Red Sox.

14:00—**Zeta Psi**—Cannolis in the North End—Venture into the historic North End to explore the area and try Boston's best Italian pastries.

14:00—**Phi Kappa Sigma**—Boston Tours—Even after a few years of living in Boston, we still find tours we are excited to take. Come with us on a tour of the city you'll be living in for the next four years and discover the hidden side of Boston.

14:00—**Delta Tau Delta**—Lobster Trip (Invitation Only)—Join Delts on their annual trip to George's Island in Boston Harbor to feast on lobster. This event is one of a kind and should not be missed.

15:00

15:22—**Tau Epsilon Phi**—LN2 for ME and YOU—More fun with liquid nitrogen. Ice cream and games ensue!

16:00

16:00—**Epsilon Theta**—Brookline is home to some of Massachusetts' nicest book stores and coffee shops (we think so, anyway). Come visit them as we take a Caffeine and Books Tour in Coolidge Corner. The Big Silver Van leaves the MIT chapel at 3:30 p.m..

16:22—**Tau Epsilon Phi**—Hairdying—So you got just out of your parents sight. Rebel against everything! Get your hair-dyed. It will be awesome. We recommend going for purple, but then again, we're biased.

16:30—**Phi Kappa Sigma**—Boston Harbor Boat Tours—This won't be any ordinary boat cruise: join your fellow classmates and the brothers of Phi Kappa Sigma for an exciting evening party on a boat in Boston Harbor with dinner, live

music, and dancing.

18:00

18:00—**Pi Lambda Phi**—Fajitas!—Beef or Chicken, with all the fixin's.

18:00—**Phi Sigma Kappa**—Steak & Lobster—Head to the house, grab some surf & turf at our annual dinner and chow down! Don't forget to leave some room for dessert later.

18:00—**Sigma Nu**—Pizza Sampler and Movie—Sigma Nu is surrounded by pizza places. It's just the nature of our location. Come sample a whole slew of em (decide which is best for yourself) as we kick back and watch a movie on our big screen TV.

18:00—**Alpha Delta Phi**—Dinner—Bobby Mac's finest.

18:00—**Zeta Psi**—Elder Dinner—Come enjoy some fine dining prepared by some of the alumni that live locally.

18:00—**Theta Xi**—Carne Asada: Mexican BBQ—Enjoy one of Theta Xi's oldest (and tastiest) traditions: mexican barbeque on a lovely fall evening.

18:00—**Zeta Beta Tau**—Rooftdeck BBQ—We'll be firing up our grill and serving all the hotdogs and hamburgers you can eat on our spacious rooftop.

18:00—**Theta Delta Chi**—Infinite Corridor Tricycle Races—Race down the Infinite Corridor with Big Wheel tricycles. It's not like you'll do this ever again.

18:00—**Delta Upsilon**—DU Steak Dinner—Enjoy some steak, cooked by our very own chef, and get a chance to meet some of the brothers of DU.

18:45—**pika**—mmmmm . . . Seth's Thai Spectacular! (Spectacular, it definitely is!) Come to dinner at pika! Veggie and vegan options as always, and probably one for carnivores, too!

19:00

19:00—**Alpha Tau Omega**—Steak & Lobster—Chef John, former chef of Legal Seafood, cooks up a mean meal of steak, lobster, and shrimp. An event not to be missed.

19:00—**Nu Delta**—Steak and Lobster Dinner—Enjoy a nice steak and lobster dinner with the brotherhood.

19:00—**Alpha Epsilon Pi**—Rami's Take-Out—Falafel, Schwarma, Hummus, and other stuff your mother would want you to eat.

19:00—**Chi Phi**—The Original Steak and Lobster Dinner —Don't miss out on this all-you-can-eat feast of lobster and steak at our home!! I mean, what more could you need after a long day at the beach? Get here early, and come prepared for the best dinner around!

19:00—**Tau Epsilon Phi**—Ritualistic Summoning of the Flyings Spaghetti Monster—Hail him of the noodly appendage! With an eyepatch and a parrot we summon him up to grant us the boons that we desire!

19:00—**Phi Delta Theta**—Korean BBQ—Come indulge in an ethnic treat as the brothers prepare a delicious Korean beef BBQ. One of our brothers will also be preparing his award-winning salmon — it shouldn't be missed!

19:06—**No. 6 Club**—No6 International Dinner—Sample cuisines from all around the world and dine with Sixers: great food, great company.

19:07—**Fenway House**—"But I don't want to go among mad people," Alice remarked. "Oh, you can't help that," said the Cat. "We're all mad here." Meet at the Harvard Bridge for a scenic walk to Fenway House. Learn all sorts of mad awesome things about Boston.

19:22—**Tau Epsilon Phi**—A Pastafarian Dinner—Having summoned Our Noodly Father we commence to a feast in his honor! Jah Pas Tafarii!

19:30—**Kappa Sigma**—Lobster and Steak Dinner—Delicious Boston Lobster and sirloins prepared by our own Chef John Compton.

19:32—**Fenway House**—Contra dancing and Irish set dancing in our music room! No experience necessary. web.mit.edu/fenway/www to spin yourself dizzy.

20:00

20:00—**pika**—Trip to Bova's, the North End's BEST bakery! Gather at pika to get your delicious fix of fat, sugar, and the other essential nutrients.

20:00—**Epsilon Theta**—Be spontaneous! Join us for an assortment of theater games and improvised sketches. Alternatively, play anything from our vast collection of board and card games! The Big Silver Van leaves the MIT Chapel at 7:30 p.m. and 10:30 p.m..

20:00—**Alpha Tau Omega**—Canes vs. Noses—Eat wings and pizza while watching these Florida rivals go at it. Girls are always welcome to join in on the excitement.

20:00—**Nu Delta**—Breakfast w/ Nu Delts—Come enjoy breakfast with the Nu Delta crew before we all head out for the day's activities.

20:00—**Sigma Nu**—Comedy Connection—It's amateur night over at Comedy Connection. Join the bros as we head over to see how good local Boston talent can be.

20:00—**Alpha Delta Phi**—Trip to Staples and Home Depot—Need stuff for school or for your dorm room? We'll take you where you need to go.

20:00—**Sigma Phi Epsilon**—Game Night—Fan of card games and/or video games? Come play for prizes or just to kick back before classes start. Come join us at the 3rd floor of the Student Center.

20:00—**Zeta Beta Tau**—Pool at Jllians—Join us at one of Boston's hottest night spots for wings, nachos, and billiards right next to Fenway Park.

20:00—**Theta Delta Chi**—Good Times Emporium—Go cart, laser tag, video games, large screen projectors, oh my! Enjoy some good times at this fun "emporium".

20:00—**Delta Kappa Epsilon**—Backlot Movie Night—Cinema Deke style: Wedding Crashers and Gladiator projected onto the backlot wall, Cookout during intermission and freshly popped popcorn for eats.

20:00—**Theta Chi**—Mixer/BBQ @ Wellesley—Why wait to meet the ladies of Wellesley? Good food, great company.

20:22—**Tau Epsilon Phi**—The Lie-off—The most charismatic men in tEp face off in a battle of wits and fabrication. Can you brave the faulty statistics of Flux or the prehensile fabrications of Wiggles. Come to the lie off where at least 73.22% of the facts are made up on the spot. Guaranteed!

20:30—**Lambda Chi Alpha**—Steak & Lobster—Why are steak and lobster shouldn't be missed: 1) Roof deck 2) Beautiful house 3) Escape from the MIT campus bubble

20:30—**Phi Delta Theta**—Dessertfest—We promise more desserts than you could possibly try, topped off by a special Phi Delts Flambé©. Make sure you try the Better Than Sex Soufflé©.

21:00

21:00—**Phi Kappa Theta**—Live Vudoo Soul Concert —Chris Vu is MIT's own local celebrity who is ready to blow up the music scene. Come listen to his soulful tunes and get pumped for

the party.

21:00—**Phi Sigma Kappa**—PhiSig Party—See what we do on the weekends, and join in on the fun! Not the party type? Watch a movie on our rooftop, or just chill in one of our lounges.

21:00—**Alpha Epsilon Pi**—Pool @ Boston Billiards—Come shoot some pool with us.

21:00—**Zeta Psi**—Zete Arcade—Feel like relaxing tonight? Stop by and enjoy a variety of video games and other entertainment.

21:00—**Theta Xi**—Boston Capture the Flag—We'll meet at the house then head to an undisclosed location in Boston to engage in a massive game of capture the flag. Good strategy is key to winning this epic battle.

21:00—**Chi Phi**—Laser Tag and Arcade Games—Not tired yet? Come out to this entertainment universe for some laser tag, arcade games, and more!

21:00—**Kappa Sigma**—Vicious Circle with Dane Cook—Come watch superstar comedian Dane Cook, a true BAMF, perform on our larger than life projection TV. Gotta have coups baby, gotta have coups.

21:06—**No. 6 Club**—Game Night—Come hang out and play some games... poker, pool, halo, darts, board games, twister, mafia.

22:00

22:00—**Phi Kappa Theta**—Hyphy Party—Get HYPHY! This Bay Area style of music is taking over the nation! Don't get left behind.

22:00—**Sigma Nu**—Mike's Pastry Run—Mike's Pastry. That's all we really need to say. But we'll say more: Boston's #1 pastry shop. Easily the best canoli you'll ever eat. Let the brothers of Sigma Nu start you on your addiction.

22:00—**Phi Delta Theta**—Breakfast—Start your day off right with all-you-can-eat pancakes, omelets, and crepes.

22:22—**Tau Epsilon Phi**—LAZOR Lightshow: Pink Floyd—The purple pirate brethren of tEp will attempt to give you more monochromatic imagery than has ever been seen before in one haus!

23:00

23:00—**Pi Lambda Phi**—Ultimate + Basketball—If you like Ultimate Frisbee or Basketball, meet at the Student Center for an afternoon of action and fun.

23:00—**Zeta Beta Tau**—Late Night Run to IHOP—Satisfy your late night cravings with the breakfast of champions.

23:59—**Alpha Tau Omega**—Chinatown snack—Take a late night trip to China Town for the Best Chinese in Boston

23:59—**Kappa Sigma**—Midnight Buffet—Stop by our house for a preview of the staples of traditional Kappa Sigma late night cuisine: fried food, pizza, and purple drink (sugar, water, purple?). Right near Burton-Conner.

Tuesday, September 5, 2006

00:00

00:00—**Fenway House**—Air Supply Festival! We have nitrogen, oxygen, carbon dioxide and other scattered molecules. Only while supplies last!

07:00

07:00—**pika**—Breakfast at pika. Hungry in the morning (or evening)? Stop by anytime from 7 AM to 7 PM (or from 7 PM to 7 AM) and grab some breakfast food!

09:00

09:00—**Nu Delta**—Beach Trip—Come to the beach and enjoy the water, sun, and some fun beach games.

09:00—**Sigma Nu**—Breakfast—A hot, delicious meal cooked fresh just for you. It's not themed, but it's still free food. Come and get it before we head off to the island!

09:00—**Phi Kappa Sigma**—Breakfast @ Skullhouse—Delightfully delectable, the brothers of Phi Kappa Sigma will be preparing another hot breakfast you don't want to miss.

09:30—**Kappa Sigma**—Made to Order Breakfast—Start Tuesday off right with breakfast your way prepared by our exquisite Chef John Compton.

10:00

10:00—**Phi Sigma Kappa**—Battle Canoeing—Race each other in pairs down the river. Like we always say, if you can't beat 'em, knock 'em into the water!

10:00—**Sigma Nu**—Clam Bake at George's Island—We'll have an entire day of games and activities for you to enjoy on George's Island, a beautiful isle just off of the coast. For lunch, we'll serve up a traditional clam bake, complete with lobster and 'clam chowdah' among others.

10:00—**Alpha Delta Phi**—Breakfast—Last chance for a home-cooked breakfast before classes start.

10:00—**Chi Phi**—Everything Breakfast at Chi Phi—What better way to kick off the semester and Reg Day than with a feast fit for a king!! You name it, and we'll have it, breakfast that is. Get ready for fruit, french toast, pancakes, eggs, bacon, OJ, sausage, and a lot more!! Don't forget about our cruise later on.

10:30—**Sigma Phi Epsilon**—Give back: Serving lunch at Rosie's Place—MIT is very committed to Community Service and so should you. Come take 2 hours of your day and give back to the community by helping out at Rosie's Place, a sanctuary for poor and homeless women. Meet us at Twenty Chimneys (Student Center 3rd floor.)

10:30—**Kappa Sigma**—Paintball—Take a load off after registering by joining the brothers and ladies of Kappa Sig for some paintballing. Nothing like screaming girls getting shot by paintballs.

10:30—**Delta Upsilon**—Paintball with DU—Hang out with the brothers of DU and shoot some people, with paintballs, at a paintball park.

10:48—**Fenway House**—How many steps does it take to put a crocodile in Fenway's magic fridge?

11:00

11:00—**Beta Theta Pi**—Breakdance and Barbeque—Spend your last day of freedom relaxing with Betas in front of the Student Center. Enjoy a breakdance show by MIT's own Imobulare at noon; breakdance lessons, frisbee, hacky sac, grilling, and chilling to follow.

11:00—**Theta Chi**—Hot Dogs 4 Humanity—Find us on campus and you'll help humanity! Proceeds go to Habitat 4 Humanity.

11:00—**Sigma Chi**—F1 Racing—Do you feel the need for speed? Come with Sigma Chi to a day at the racing tracks.

11:00—**Delta Tau Delta**—Paintball—Come battle with the Delts at P & L Paintball's famous "Ghost Town".

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11:04—**Fenway House**—Four. Open the fridge. Take the giraffe out. Put the crocodile in. Close the magic fridge. This message brought to you by the wisdom and age of an old Fenway sage. 11:22—**Tau Epsilon Phi**—Regday Feynmann/ Porn—Porn on Audio. Feynmann lectures on video. What could possibly go wrong!

12:00

12:00—**pika**—Hungry? Need lunch? Stop by pika for a bite to eat!
12:00—**Alpha Delta Phi**—Indoor Rock Climbing—All skill levels welcome.
12:00—**Sigma Phi Epsilon**—Post-swim test Sailing Trip—Now that you've taken the swim test, come enjoy the finer things that MIT and the Charles River have to offer. Meet up at Twenty Chimneys (Student Center 3rd floor.)
12:00—**Theta Delta Chi**—Beach Trip—Done registering for class? Reward yourself witha trip to the beach because the weather won't allow for it again.
12:00—**Delta Kappa Epsilon**—Backlot Bash—Lazy man's Olympics: HORSE tournament, Volleyball, Home Run Derby, Wiffle ball. Events can be added upon request.

13:00

13:00—**Alpha Tau Omega**—BBQ—Join ATO for some lunch at the ATO BBQ pit on Amherst Alley
13:00—**Phi Sigma Kappa**—Rock Climbing—Boulder and climb at MetroRock, just a few T stops away from the house!
13:00—**Pi Lambda Phi**—Carter's Addicting Burgers—Join the brothers of Pi Lambda Phi as we chow down on a burger unlike any other.
13:00—**Alpha Epsilon Pi**—Go-Kart Racing—Zoom around the track at F1 Boston.
13:00—**Theta Xi**—Battle Canoes—Imitated by many, rivaled by none, Battle Canoes is a Theta Xi original. We start off on a peaceful canoe ride, then all hell breaks loose around the bend in the river as boats battle to stay dry. Make sure to bring a change of clothes.
13:00—**Zeta Beta Tau**—Bowling—Try and beat your high score after a few fun frames at Boston Bowl.
13:00—**Phi Kappa Sigma**—LaserQuest—Up for a little competition? Come battle it out with the Skulls in a multi-level laser tag arena.
13:06—**No. 6 Club**—Games and Picnic—Come by anytime the house for some games and food in the field
13:30—**Lambda Chi Alpha**—Fenway Park Tours—An opportunity to see baseball's most hallowed ground. Shuttle leaves Laverde's at 1:30

14:00

14:00—**Epsilon Theta**—Ladies and Gentlemen: start your Apple II emulators! ET is holding an Oregon Trail Race. Do you buy 20 oxen and fly at a grueling pace, or do you try to keep a wagon filled with the perfect balance of supplies? The Big Silver Van leaves the MIT Chapel at 1:30 p.m. and 3:30 p.m..
14:00—**Alpha Tau Omega**—Paintball—Battle your fellow classmates on this huge outdoor paintball course
14:00—**Theta Xi**—Fenway Park Tour—We'll meet at the house then head across the street to take a tour of legendary Fenway Park, home of the 2004 World Champion Boston Red Sox.
14:00—**Phi Delta Theta**—Phi Delts Games—Challenge all comers in a triathlon of ping-pong, pool and foosball. The best players will win prizes, so bring your A-game and try your hand.
14:22—**Tau Epsilon Phi**—Regday Porn/ Feynmann—Now Feynmann on Audio and Porn on Video. Even better than before!

15:00

15:30—**Phi Kappa Sigma**—Boston Bowl—Here's your opportunity to show off your bowling skills in a game against the amazingly talented brothers of Phi Kappa Sigma.

16:00

16:00—**pika**—Hair Dyeing, Tie-Dyeing, and Nalgene Decoration - at pika!!!!
16:00—**Alpha Tau Omega**—ATO House Tour—If you missed it before, you have another chance.
16:00—**Theta Delta Chi**—"Unsafe Structures and Fire Hazards" with Brother Bork—TDC lecture series: it's back.
16:22—**Tau Epsilon Phi**—Costco Run!—Term is starting. And we all know what you need. Not want. Need! Large quantities of 10 cent Ramen for starters..
16:44—**Fenway House**—Come relax in the Fens and throw some Frisbees at trees. Or people. Whatever. *web.mit.edu/fenway/www* for a flight.

17:00

17:00—**Sigma Phi Epsilon**—How to live your best life at MIT Seminar and Dinner—Now that you're registered for class, join the Brothers of SigEp for a free catered dinner and get tips from our expert speaker on how to manage your time, succeed in your classes, and get the most out of your MIT experience. Event will be held at Twenty Chimneys (Student Center 3rd floor.)
17:00—**Chi Phi**—Early Dinner at Chi Phi—Feast on our Chef's famous chicken cordon blue and more before we set sail for the evening on our cruise of the Boston Harbor.
17:00—**Theta Delta Chi**—Get a Tattoo!—Ever wanted to get a tattoo, but never had the cash/ motivation/balls to do it? Well, if you get one, Carlos will get one too!

18:00

18:00—**WILG**—Steak Teriyaki and Vegetable Stir Fry
18:00—**Pi Lambda Phi**—Steak!—You pick the cut, we'll grill it up.
18:00—**Phi Sigma Kappa**—Hawaiian Luau—Give in to the power of authentic Hawaiian food and music, and take part in the festivities thrown by our native Hawaiian brothers.
18:00—**Sigma Nu**—Playing With Fire—For the pyro in you.
18:00—**Alpha Delta Phi**—Dinner at Texas Roadhouse—Celebrate the last night before classes with a scrumptious dinner out.
18:00—**Theta Xi**—Make Your Own Pizza—No one does pizza like Theta Xi does pizza. We have toppings-a-plenty, so you can have your pizza just the way you like it.
18:00—**Zeta Beta Tau**—Dinner: Chicken Cordon Bleu—Chicken stuffed with ham and cheese: enough said.
18:00—**Theta Delta Chi**—"In the Dark Room" with Dennis Fantone—TDC lecture series: it's back.
18:00—**Theta Chi**—Wings—Ride in style to a wings place we can't even advertise.
18:00—**Zeta Psi**—Pizzeria Uno—Come join us

for some delicious all-you-can-eat pizza, pasta and salad!
18:00—**Sigma Chi**—Dinner with the Sigs—Fill your stomach at Sigma Chi and get a tour of our house before we head off to Good Times Emporium.
18:00—**Delta Tau Delta**—Alumni BBQ—Join us as we travel to Concord, MA to BBQ with one of our distinguished alumni. See the life-long connections that you will develop as a member of Delta Tau Delta.
18:00—**Delta Upsilon**—House Dinner—Enjoy some food with the brothers of DU.
18:30—**Chi Phi**—Boat Cruise aboard the Liberty Clipper—Join us on our flagship event of the week aboard the Liberty Clipper, Boston's largest sailboat. Enjoy the cool evening breeze and beautiful Boston skyline as we sail along the Boston Harbor. This event is year after year our most memorable and romantic event, so RSVP early at chiphi.mit.edu. Feel free to bring a date.
18:36—**No. 6 Club**—Dessert Night
18:45—**pika**—Scrumptious, environmentally-friendly dinner, at pika!

19:00

19:00—**Alpha Tau Omega**—Dinner with the Brothers—Chef John cooks another great meal at ATO
19:00—**Nu Delta**—Ribs, Wings, and Comedy—Enough said.
19:00—**Phi Kappa Theta**—Hickory Ribs Dinner—Finger-lickin' good!
19:00—**Sigma Nu**—Boston Bowl—Join us at Boston Bowl for some pizza and to show us your I33t bowlin' skillz! If you don't like bowling, there's always the fully stocked arcade.
19:00—**Alpha Epsilon Pi**—Comfort Food—A good dinner before your first day of class.
19:00—**Beta Theta Pi**—Trivia night at Beta—Think you know something about pop culture, science, music, history, or sports? Come on down to the Beta Main House and prove it - maybe you'll win one of our fabulous prizes... maybe you'll run home crying.
19:00—**Theta Delta Chi**—"Be a Visionary" with Chris Rodriguez—TDC lecture series: it's back.
19:00—**Delta Kappa Epsilon**—Ribs—I want my baby back, baby back, baby back...I want my baby back, baby back, baby back....DKE baby back ribs!!!
19:00—**Phi Delta Theta**—Steak and Lobster Dinner—Celebrate your last day before classes with a special Steak and Lobster dinner prepared by Chef John.
19:00—**Kappa Sigma**—Jillian's- Bowling and more...—Boston's Premiere Bowling and Games. Bowl, play pool, or just hang out and grab some food with Kappa Sig.
19:05—**Lambda Chi Alpha**—Red Sox Baseball—Come for the game on the big screen. Stay for the opportunity to win Red Sox tickets. Call 617-236-1328 for a ride over.
19:22—**Tau Epsilon Phi**—Home Cooked Meal—The brothers of Tau Epsilon Phi would like you to pull up a chair and eat dinner with us. C'mon it will be fun.
19:30—**Zeta Beta Tau**—F-1 Go Kart Racing—Experience the thrill of grand prix racing in Boston's fastest go karts! Driver's license required.

20:00

20:00—**pika**—Celebration of Freedom! From Classes! In Geneaarl! Come to pika to while away your last waking hours before classes begin!
20:00—**Epsilon Theta**—As twilight falls upon Massachusetts, a glowing disc soars across the sky. It's LED frisbee time at ET. Relax after a long registration day with a game of catch, or maybe get fired up for a round of ultimate. The Big Silver Van leaves the MIT Chapel at 7:30 p.m. and 10:15 p.m..
20:00—**Nu Delta**—Breakfast—Come enjoy breakfast with the Nu Delta crew before we all head out for the day's activities.
20:00—**Alpha Delta Phi**—Cafe Thursday—Experience literary presentations by the brothers and guests. Refreshments will be served.
20:00—**Alpha Epsilon Pi**—Collegiate Films—Research your potential role-models, from Chris Knight to Bluto Blutarasky.
20:00—**Sigma Phi Epsilon**—Make your own dessert—Featuring ice cream, frozen yogurt, cookies, and toppings. Come satisfy your sweet tooth at the Third Floor of the Student Center.
20:00—**Theta Xi**—Mini-Golf—Minigolf made Happy Gilmore a world-class golfer, and it can do the same for you. Plus there's an awesome ice cream place right next door.
20:00—**Theta Delta Chi**—Dinner and Fight Club—Have a relaxing night before classes start as we have dinner prepared by our chef Stephen and watch Fight Club, a house favorite, off the side of the house.
20:00—**Theta Chi**—"I'd Hit That" Piv±ata Night—Would you hit that? We have just the piv±ata for you.
20:00—**Sigma Chi**—Games at Good Times—With virtual boxing, laser tag, and hundreds of arcade games how can you say no? Come hang out with Sigma Chi at the Good Times Emporium before your first day of classes.
20:30—**Pi Lambda Phi**—X-Rated Hypnotist—With so much conflict in the world today, it's hard to find things people share in common. Come experience a true Pilam tradition with us, watching people make fools of themselves while hypnotized.
20:30—**Phi Delta Theta**—Phi Delts Open House—Come check out the house. Get a tour, meet the brothers.

21:00

21:00—**Zeta Psi**—Late Night—Hang out with your friends in a laid-back atmosphere. Play some cards, throw some darts, and enjoy other games as you celebrate your last night of freedom.
21:00—**Delta Kappa Epsilon**—Live Band: Michael Dylan and the Sleepwalkers—Live tunes! Dude thats not the bathroom...it's the woofer.

23:00

23:00—**Phi Kappa Theta**—Braveheart, House Tradition—Come watch Braveheart and be a part of our brotherhood tradition.
23:59—**Kappa Sigma**—IHOP- Late Night Eats—Didn't your mother tell you to get a good nights sleep before the first night of school? doesn't matter anymore. Come get some midnight breakfast at one of the few all night restaurants around here.

Wednesday, September 6, 2006

00:00

00:00—**Fenway House**—Storytime! Eat some leftover cheesecake, play some leftover games, get some leftover prizes, and listen to some

wicked awesome stories. Get up and tell some of your own, if you dare. Stories rated by plot and delivery by our panel of Fenbeings.

07:00

07:00—**pika**—Breakfast at pika. Hungry in the morning (or evening)? Stop by anytime from 7 AM to 7 PM (or from 7 PM to 7 AM) and grab some breakfast food!

08:00

08:00—**WILG**—Smores Study Break - take a break after the first day of classes and eat some smores!
08:00—**Chi Phi**—Breakfast at the Mansion —Start the school year off right with a scrumptious breakfast prepared by our Chef. Eggs, bagels, bacon, and more!! Don't worry about getting to class; we'll make sure we get you there on time.
08:00—**Delta Kappa Epsilon**—Made to order Breakfast—Deke for made to order breakfast to start the first day of classes off right.

09:00

09:00—**Sigma Nu**—Breakfast—Wake up to the smell of eggs and bacon! Come to the house and join us for a hot meal.

10:00

10:00—**WILG**—FREE COOKIES!!!! TOTALLY FREE cookies given away in building 16

11:00

11:00—**Nu Delta**—Lunch @ Student Center—Eat lunch and relax with the brotherhood to take a break during your first day of classes.

12:00

12:00—**Alpha Tau Omega**—Lunch at the House—Grab a bite to eat with the ATO brothers between classes.
12:00—**Alpha Delta Phi**—Lunch—There is such thing as a free lunch. Get one at Alpha Delta Phi between classes.
12:00—**Sigma Phi Epsilon**—Soccer Lunch—Take a break between classes and stop by for lunch and then we'll head out to play some Volleyball. Meet at PDR 1&2 (Student Center 3rd floor.)
12:00—**Delta Tau Delta**—Philly Cheese Steaks—Grab some lunch with us in Lobdell, delivered by our own chef.

16:00

16:00—**pika**—Origami and Japanese Cooking! 4-7 PM, at pika
16:00—**Theta Delta Chi**—Up in Smoke Tour—Take a tour of Boston's finest smoke shops including the Hempest, Buried Treasures, Kang's Korner, and Sugar Daddies.
16:00—**Theta Delta Chi**—"Do Absolutely Nothing" with Mike Spindel—TDC lecture series: it's back.
16:04—**Fenway House**—Spoil your dinner! Eat chocolate chips right out of the box. Why? Because your mother didn't let you. *web.mit.edu/fenway/www* for some mischief.

17:00

17:00—**Theta Delta Chi**—"XBox 360: Was it a good financial decision?" by Manuel Soto—TDC lecture series: it's back.
17:00—**Kappa Sigma**—Coed Volleyball Tournament—Either bring your own lady friends or borrow ours to make coed teams to compete in our Volleyball Tournament around Kresge.

18:00

18:00—**WILG**—Beef and Veggie Taco Dinner
18:00—**Phi Sigma Kappa**—Dinner at the House—Round out the first day of classes at the house! Enjoy classic Italian food catered by Vinny Testa's.
18:00—**Sigma Nu**—Steak Dinner at Hilltop Steakhouse—Come recover from your first day of classes with a huge steak cooked to perfection! We promise you won't leave hungry.
18:00—**Sigma Phi Epsilon**—Family Guy Dinner—Can't get enough Stewie? Come watch Family Guy and eat some dinner while you're at it at PDR 1 & 2 (Student Center 3rd floor).
18:00—**Theta Xi**—Theta Xi Dinner—Come by after your first day of class and enjoy a gourmet dinner from our talented chef.
18:00—**Chi Phi**—Chicken Parm Dinner—Take a break from class and homework and come join us for a delicious chicken parmesan dinner prepared by our full-time chef!!
18:00—**Phi Kappa Sigma**—House Dinner—Nothing like a great meal to finish the first day of classes. . Come find a Mexican feast at Skull House with such treats as burritos, rice, and chips and salsa.
18:00—**Sigma Chi**—Dinner at the House—Relax after your first day of classes, and come have dinner with the brothers of Sigma Chi and their chef, Gerry.
18:00—**Delta Tau Delta**—Turkey Dinner—It's not Thanksgiving yet, but we'll have plenty of Turkey, Mashed Potatoes, and Cranberry Sauce.
18:30—**Beta Theta Pi**—Dinner with Professor Marvin Minsky—Come to the Beta Main House and hear Professor Minsky speak about his research, life, and strategies for success. Enjoy a delicious dinner and meet one of MIT's finest.
18:45—**pika**—Japanese Dinner at pika! Veggie and vegan (and omnivore) options, as always!

19:00

19:00—**Alpha Tau Omega**—Dinner with the Brothers—Chef John cooks another great meal at ATO
19:00—**Nu Delta**—Dick's Last Resort—Come enjoy a fun night at Dick's Last Resort, where you'll enjoy live music and a lot of mayhem.
19:00—**Alpha Epsilon Pi**—All-You-Can-Eat Buffet—It'll be tons of food at our house.
19:00—**Theta Xi**—Red Sox Game—We love the Red Sox. After watching a game with us, you will too, partially because said game will be watched on a 61" high-definition TV and you'll be able to hear the crowd cheering just two blocks away.
19:00—**Theta Delta Chi**—:insert name of wing place here::—Day One is over, the Red Sox-White Sox game is on, and wings are being served at a place that is "Delightfully Tacky, Yet Unrefined." We can't say where we're going, but you should know.
19:00—**Delta Kappa Epsilon**—Dinner at DKE—Homestyle Fried Chicken and all the Fixin's.
19:00—**Phi Delta Theta**—Just Dinner—Come and see the more laidback side of Phi Delts. Enjoy a relaxing, typical house dinner and just hang out with the brothers.
19:00—**Delta Tau Delta**—Rock Climbing—Whether you are a beginner or expert, come with Delts to challenge yourself at Boston's largest indoor climbing gym.
19:06—**No. 6 Club**—Coffee and Cannoli @ the North End—Stressful first day of classes? Come, relax and enjoy some great desserts and coffee at Boston's North End
19:30—**Lambda Chi Alpha**—Harbor Cruise—An awesome event on the Boston Harbor with a DJ, snacks, and gorgeous skyline. We'll leave LCA @ 7:30 and the student center at 7:45

19:30—**Phi Kappa Sigma**—Card Tournament—Think you're good? Come and prove it to the brothers of Phi Kappa Sigma in this tournament.

20:00

20:00—**pika**—Academic Day 1: Make Stata and Lobby 10 from gingerbread, get homework help
20:00—**Phi Sigma Kappa**—Mini Golf and Driving Range—Why start on that problem set just yet? Take a drive out of Boston, where we can find a family fun park with mini golf and a driving range.
20:00—**Alpha Delta Phi**—Bowling—Join us for some fun bowling action.
20:00—**Alpha Epsilon Pi**—Build a Spud Gun with Michael Star—See a real MIT physics education put to use.
20:00—**Zeta Beta Tau**—LAN Party—Gear up for some Quake III Arena or old school Starcraft on 20 networked computers at our LAN party!
20:00—**Chi Phi**—Open Mic Night—Tired after the long first day of classes and don't feel like doing anything active? Stick around after dinner and enjoy some desserts and drinks as our brothers and friends will present an awesome display of cool music and various small performances, this unique event is sure to be fun and laid back, so come chill, hang out, and even perform something if you'd like!!
20:00—**Delta Kappa Epsilon**—Video Game Night—Video Game tournaments on the backlot wall. Halo 2, Guitar Hero, Madden, Mario Kart just to name a few.
20:00—**Phi Delta Theta**—Catch the Game at Jillian's—Go with the brothers to Jillian's to hang out, shoot some pool, and watch the Red Sox game.
20:00—**Zeta Psi**—Bowling—Come enjoy some friendly bowling with Zetes.
20:00—**Kappa Sigma**—Wings in Boston—Come out with the guys of Kappa Sigma to meet the ladies of an excellent world renowned restaurant.
20:00—**Delta Upsilon**—DU Yacht Cruise—Join the brothers of DU in exploring Boston Harbor and beyond in class upon a spacious 60 foot yacht.

21:00

21:00—**Phi Kappa Theta**—Bowling and IHOP—Roll some strikes and grab some pancakes afterwards. What more could you ask for?
21:00—**Sigma Nu**—The Godfather—Join us for a cinematic classic to help you relax after the first day of class.
21:00—**Theta Xi**—Gourmet Coffee Night—Join this weekly Theta Xi tradition. We have the finest brews from round the world expertly chosen and prepared by our own coffee connoisseurs.
21:00—**Sigma Chi**—Tea at Sigma Chi—Tea, Sigma Chi's weekly study break, will kick off with music, food, and various other forms of entertainment. Unwind after a day in class.
21:13—**Fenway House**—Games games games. Fenway House has a pool table and some ideal spheres. Grab a stick and letis get a head start on 8.01 and Newtonian mechanics! Not your cup of tea? Play some DDR, Karaoke Revolution, and air hockey. *web.mit.edu/fenway/www* for some prizes.

22:00

22:00—**Pi Lambda Phi**—Movie Night—Come spend an evening at the movie theatre or rewatch one of our all-time Pilam favorites.
22:03—**Fenway House**—Mmmmm, Cheeeeseecake. Fenway Factory welcomes you to Cheesecake House. *web.mit.edu/fenway/www* for a sweet time.
22:22—**Tau Epsilon Phi**—Cocoa!—Every week on the first day of classes, we invite our friends over and makes some hot cocoa. mmmm... tasty..
22:23—**Tau Epsilon Phi**—Go: The Ancient Japanese Game of Strategy—We will play go! All sorts of Go! Two-way, Four-way, with m&m's! Come to tEp and learn this eldest of games.

23:00

23:00—**Theta Xi**—J.P. Lick's Ice Cream—No better way to finish the night than a trip to Newbury Street's J.P. Licks, which features Boston's best ice cream.

Thursday, September 7, 2006

00:00

00:01—**Fenway House**—Stairs of doooooom. Come meet the Captain! Only on Fenwayis back stairs for a limited time, so hurry! *web.mit.edu/fenway/www* for an adventure.

07:00

07:00—**pika**—Breakfast at pika. Hungry in the morning (or evening)? Stop by anytime from 7 AM to 7 PM (or from 7 PM to 7 AM) and grab some breakfast food!

08:00

08:00—**Fenway House**—Die, alarm clock, die! Grumpy sleeping bodies...
08:00—**Chi Phi**—Breakfast—As usual, start the day off right with an amazing breakfast before heading out to class!!

09:00

09:00—**Sigma Nu**—Breakfast—Another hot, delicious meal to help you prepare for the day of classes ahead.
09:25—**Fenway House**—Zelda Theodore called a mouse heating. Who came?
09:26—**Fenway House**—...Everyone except the crocodile. He was in the magic fridge.

10:00

10:00—**WILG**—MORE FREE COOKIES!!! Totally Free cookies given away in building 16

12:00

12:00—**Alpha Delta Phi**—Lunch—There is such thing as a free lunch. Get one at Alpha Delta Phi between classes.
12:00—**Sigma Phi Epsilon**—Ultimate Lunch—We're at it again! Take a break between classes and stop by for lunch and some Ultimate Frisbee. Meet up at PDR 1 & 2 (Student Center 3rd floor.)
12:00—**Delta Tau Delta**—Lobdell Lunch—Meet in the usual spot of Lobdell for some warm calzone.

13:00

13:00—**Alpha Tau Omega**—BBQ—Come join the brothers of ATO for some great food.

16:00

16:38—**Fenway House**—Come relax in the Fens and throw some Frisbees at trees. Or people. Whatever. *web.mit.edu/fenway/www*.

17:00

17:00—**Beta Theta Pi**—Extreme Stoop Action—Kick it on the staple Beta stoop for 4 square, chalk, talk, and rawk.

17:00—**Theta Delta Chi**—"Stuttering to a perfect score" with Ross Fu—TDC lecture series: it's back.

17:00—**Kappa Sigma**—Homerun Derby sponsored by Balco—BYOJ, bring your own juice. Your going to need it against the heart of our line-up.

17:30—**pika**—Tex-Mex Cooking and BBQ on decks

18:00

18:00—**WILG**—Chicken and Veggie Alfredo
18:00—**Phi Sigma Kappa**—Dinner out on the Town—Just show up at the house, and we'll show you some of the best dining spots in Boston. Afterwards, kick back at the house with a movie or some video games.
18:00—**Sigma Nu**—Chili con Carne and Cornbread—Join us for an absolute favorite among the Sigma Nus. Sit back and relax while our house chef, Rich D'Orsi prepares the best chilli in all of Boston. You won't be disappointed.
18:00—**Sigma Phi Epsilon**—Sound Body Ethnic Dinner—Hungry for something different? Come find out what's cookin' at the Sound Body Ethnic Dinner, featuring authentic Greek food! Join us at PDR 1 & 2 (Student Center 3rd floor.)
18:00—**Theta Delta Chi**—Dinner at the House—Join us for dinner prepared by our chef Stephen as we talk about a variety of subjects. Past dinner subjects have included: (CENSORED)
18:03—**Fenway House**—How do you swim across the crocodile-infested Charles River?
18:04—**Fenway House**—Dude, just swim across. The crocodile's in Fenway's magic fridge. No worries, 'mate.
18:30—**Alpha Epsilon Pi**—Steak and Salmon Dinner—Fine dining at our fine place.
18:30—**Phi Kappa Sigma**—House Dinner—The Skulls invite you to partake in a fine night of Italian Cuisine. Enjoy a meal including chicken parmesan with a side of pasta, salad, and garlic bread. Hang around afterwards for the laid back and fun atmosphere of Phi Kappa Sigma.
18:45—**pika**—Dinner - Tex-Mex Cooking and BBQ - Friendly to Meat, Veggie, and Vegan

19:00

19:00—**Alpha Delta Phi**—Live Improv Comedy in Boston—Come with us for a live performance by ImprovBoston, one of the best improv comedy groups in the area.
19:00—**Theta Xi**—Dinner Out on the Brothers—We'll hit up one of Boston's many fine restaurants. Options include Vinny T's, California Pizza Kitchen, Cheesecake Factory, and Dick's Last Resort.
19:00—**Theta Delta Chi**—Jillian's/Lucky Strike—Put on your bowling shoes as we head out to this hot spot near Fenway Park while the Dolphins-Steelers game is on in the background to start off the glorious football season.
19:00—**Phi Delta Theta**—Boston Night—Join the brothers as we check out some of Boston's attractions. Start with dinner at Faneuil Hall, get dessert at Mike's Pastries, and finally catch a comedy show at the Improv Asylum.
19:00—**Delta Tau Delta**—Wings, Wings, Wings—How many wings can you eat? Current Record: 45 Any one up for the challenge?
19:06—**No. 6 Club**—Dinner @ No.6—Join us for dinner before our Literary Event at 8
19:07—**Fenway House**—When I think of Fenway House, I think of cool mountain streams and breezes... oh wait, thatis a York Peppermint Patty. Never mind. But if you meet on the Harvard Bridge, weill take you on a cool breezy walk across the river to Fenway!
19:22—**Tau Epsilon Phi**—Haus Food: Have dinner on us—Have a grape soder and enjoy some of the liveliest dining room conversation ever!
19:30—**Kappa Sigma**—Vinny T's of Boston—Traditional Italian served by this Boston eatery. Probably hit up JP Licks for some homemade ice cream afterwards.
19:40—**Fenway House**—At Fenway House, you can always find party. In Soviet Russia, Party can always find you! Ha-ha-ha! Russian movie night at Fenway House! With English subtitles! Walk over to the house with our scenic walk.

20:00

20:00—**WILG**—Chocolate Fondu - things are better dipped in chocolate!
20:00—**Alpha Tau Omega**—Miami vs. Pittsburg—Eat wings and pizza while watching the Fins take on the reigning world champion Steelers. Girls are always welcome to join in on the excitement.
20:00—**Alpha Epsilon Pi**—Laser Tag—Light-Amplification-by-Stimulated-Emission-of-Radiation-based-Tactical-Assault-Game
20:00—**Zeta Beta Tau**—Minigolf—Treat yourself to a break from homework for 18 holes of fun.
20:00—**Delta Kappa Epsilon**—Boat Cruise—Boat Cruise around Boston Harbor with a live DJ
20:00—**Lambda Chi Alpha**—NFL Opening Night—Watch the Steelers take on the Dolphins with the brothers of LCA.
20:06—**No. 6 Club**—Literary Event—Experience why we define ourselves as a literary fraternity, and try it out yourself too. Presentations by all.
20:30—**Sigma Nu**—Football, Wings, and Nachos—Watch the Miami v. Pittsburgh in hi-def. Plus, we'll keep you from going hungry with an ample supply of chicken wings and nachos.
20:30—**Delta Tau Delta**—NFL Opener—Are you ready for some football? Hang out, play pool, and watch the game on our 60" flat screen.

21:00

21:00—**Phi Kappa Theta**—Jello Drop —A PKT tradition... sometimes dangerous, usually messy, always fun!
21:00—**Theta Xi**—Night Out with the Brothers—Want to go to a movie? How about a piano bar? Is clubbing your thing? How about bowling, or maybe just a walk through the park? You decide what we do tonight.

22:00

22:00—**Sigma Phi Epsilon**—Late Night Sailing—Late night sailing is one event you can't miss. Practice your sailing while enjoying the night! Meet up at PDR 1 & 2 (Student Center 3rd floor.)
22:00—**Delta Upsilon**—Party at DU—Come experience the weekly Thursday night party at DU — 526 Beacon Street, just across the bridge into Boston and right down Beacon Street.
22:22—**Tau Epsilon Phi**—Hot Cocoa—It's the second day of Term. Have some cocoa! Relax and enjoy the company.
22:23—**Tau Epsilon Phi**—Hairdrying, Tye-dying and Bleach-dying—Clearly your clothing is not quite colorful enough. It does not swirl in amazing patterns. Come to tEp and this will be fixed.

23:00

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SPORTS

Women’s Field Hockey Hoping For More Momentum This Year

By Travis Johnson
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The Women’s Field Hockey team hopes that this year goes as well as last year, or at least the first half of last year. The Engineers got off to their best start ever last season by winning 11 of their first 13 games, but lost momentum and their last five games of the season. The biggest reason for the dropoff was stiffer competition. The conference divided into two distinct levels of play, with fifth place MIT (3-5) three games behind fourth place

Mount Holyoke (6-2). In the second half of the season, MIT had to compete against the upper echelon NEWMAC teams and found it could no longer hold its own. Last year’s co-captains Annamaria E. Ayuso ’07 and Sharon M. Prange ’07, who return this year, have experienced the ups and downs and hope to lead their team into the upper echelon they had trouble against last season. So far so good, says Coach Cheryl Silva. “Pre-season has gone really well — the team has worked hard to improve on our passing game and although we created a lot of offense last

season, we hope to finish in the circle and do more scoring,” wrote Silva in an e-mail. Graduation hit the MIT squad harder than usual, with four important seniors donning cap and gown. The team now needs two new attackers, a new midfielder, and a center defender to replace the grads, and are looking to five current seniors and four incoming freshmen to fill the void in their line-up. The 2006 team will get an early test in an opener against New England College, which won the Commonwealth Coast Conference. MIT beat New England last year 4-1.

Women’s Field Hockey Quick Facts

Home Venue: Barry Astroturf Field
Conference: New England Women’s and Men’s Athletic Conference (NEWMAC)
Last Season’s finish: 3-5 (7th in conference), 11-7 overall, 5th in regular season standings.
Key Returnees: Annamaria E. Ayuso ’07 and Sharon M. Prange ’07
Coach: Cheryl Silva

Schedule:

Date	Opponent or Event	Location
Saturday, Sept. 2, 6 p.m.	New England College	Cambridge, Mass.
Saturday, Sept. 9, 1 p.m.	Vassar College (<i>Vassar Tournament</i>)	Poughkeepsie, N.Y.
Sunday, Sept. 10, time TBA	<i>Vassar College Tournament</i>	Poughkeepsie, N.Y.
Tuesday, Sept. 12, 5 p.m.	Lasell College	Newton, Mass.
Thursday, Sept. 14, 7 p.m.	Simmons College	Boston, Mass.
Saturday, Sept. 16, 11 a.m.	Alumnae Event	Cambridge, Mass.
Tuesday, Sept. 19, 6 p.m.	Nichols College	Cambridge, Mass.
Thursday, Sept. 21, 4 p.m.	UMass-Dartmouth	North Dartmouth, Mass.
Saturday, Sept. 23, 1 p.m.	Smith College	Cambridge, Mass.
Tuesday, Sept. 26, 5 p.m.	Gordon College	Wenham, Mass.
Saturday, Sept. 30, 2 p.m.	Mount Holyoke College	South Hadley, Mass.
Tuesday, Oct. 3, 6 p.m.	Worcester Polytechnic Institute	Cambridge, Mass.
Saturday, Oct. 7, 1 p.m.	Springfield College	Springfield, Mass.
Tuesday, Oct. 10, 4 p.m.	Wellesley College	Wellesley, Mass.
Saturday, Oct. 14, 1 p.m.	Babson College	Cambridge, Mass.
Saturday, Oct. 21, 1 p.m.	Clark University	Cambridge, Mass.
Tuesday, Oct. 24, 6 p.m.	Wheaton College	Cambridge, Mass.
Saturday, Oct. 28, 1 p.m.	<i>NEWMAC Tournament Quarterfinal</i>	TBA
Saturday, Nov. 4, time TBA	<i>NEWMAC Tournament Semifinal</i>	TBA
Sunday, Nov. 5, time TBA	<i>NEWMAC Tournament Final</i>	TBA

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Football Team Must Strengthen Defense to Start Winning Games

By Ryan Lanphere
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If the Engineers hope to improve on their 2005 record of 3-6, improvements will have to be made on the defensive side of the ball. Ranked second-to-last in the New England Football Conference (NEFC) in total defense and turnover margin, the success of the MIT Varsity Football Team in 2006 will hinge on their ability to limit opponents on offense. On the other side of the ball, quarterback Richard A. Mancuso ’09 and wide receiver Kevin T. Vogelsang ’09 (NEFC all-conference offense honorable mention) must build and improve on their impressive performances as freshmen. Mancuso set Institute single season records in completions (135), attempts (282), and passing yards (1587), all in just seven games of the 2005 season, good enough for an NEFC Rookie of the Year award. However, despite leading the NEFC in yards per game

Mancuso also threw 18 interceptions, so there is still plenty of room for growth. The Engineers will be looking to replace a strong senior class after graduating one of Mancuso’s primary targets in Thomas J. Kilpatrick ’06 (Second Team all-conference, MIT’s all-time leading receiver in receptions and yards) along with former defensive standouts cornerback David A. Blau G. ’06 and lineman Brennan P. Sherry G. ’06. Punter R. Matt Ramirez’ 06 will also be missed; Ramirez, Blau and Sherry were second team all-NEFC defense selections. Anchoring the Engineers defense, senior captain and middle linebacker Phillip T. Zakielarz ’07 (NEFC all-conference defense honorable mention) will set the tone on the defensive side of the ball. Zakielarz, who led the Engineers in tackles with 97, will be backed up by junior defensive back David O. Kalk ’08, who was tied for first on the team with two interceptions and Glenn J. Geesman ’09 who led the Engineers with four sacks.

In addition to Mancuso and Vogelsang, the Engineers will need a big year on offense out of tightend Chris W. Ruggiero ’07 along with running backs Robert C. Utz ’09 (led MIT with 409 rushing yards in 2005) and Thomas C. Scotton ’08, who led MIT in rushing during the 2004 season. The Engineers begin their 2006 campaign on September 9 against Massachusetts Maritime Academy, a must-win game, with kickoff set for 1:00 pm in Steinbrenner Stadium. Another must-win game will be two weeks from the opener on September 23 when the Engineers host Nichols College. On October 7, the Engineers will face their biggest challenge of the year when they face three-time defending NEFC champion Curry College in Milton, Massachusetts. Coach Dwight Smith enters his 19th season as the Engineers’ head varsity football coach. Compiling a career record of 56-96-1, Coach Smith has been leading the Engineers since the inception of the varsity program in 1988.

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